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P.L. INDIA	8000	R. F. Briscoe	12th "
* THAMES	4958	W. J. Nantes	19th "
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			1897
† CARTHAGE	5198	M. De Horne	2nd Jan.
P.L. ORIENTAL	5284	L. H. Moule	9th "
* SHANNON	4189	E. Crewe	16th "
M.* CALEDONIA	7558	W. R. Andrews	23rd "
† CARTHAGE	5198	M. De Horne	30th "
M.L. PENINSULAR	3987	W. A. Wheler	6th Feb.
* SHANNON	4189	E. Crewe	13th "
M.* INDIA	8000	R. F. Briscoe	20th "
* CARTHAGE	5198	M. DeHorne	27th "
M.L. CALEDONIA	7558	W. R. Andrews	6th March.
* SHANNON	4189	E. Crewe	13th "
M.* AUSTRALIA	6901	I. Reeves	20th "
† CARTHAGE	5198	M. DeHorne	27th "
M.L. INDIA	8000	R. F. Briscoe	3rd April
* SHANNON	4189	E. Crewe	9th "
M.L. PENINSULAR	3987	W. A. Wheler	17th "
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VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, Empress of India.

Petition for Probate of the last Will and Testament of KUBLABHAI KIKABHAI, late of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant, deceased.

ISHWARDAS TRIBHOWANDAS the Executor named in the said Will.....Petitioner.

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Witness, Sir CHARLES FREDERICK FARRAN, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, the 24th day of November, in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-six, and in the Sixtieth Year of Our Reign.

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SUB-AGENCIES :—MURREE, (APRIL TO OCTOBER) AND RANIPETTAI.

Summarised Statement of Affairs, Half-year ended 30th June, 1896.

LIABILITIES.

Capital paid-up	Rs.	24,57,360 0 0
Reserves and Rest	"	11,06,332 9 6
Deposits	"	1,04,06,910 7 10
Bills and Acceptances	"	5,80,393 14 2
Sundries	"	1 00,028 13 3
Total	Rs.	1,46,65,948 12 11

ASSETS.

Cash	Rs.	21,84,516 2 4
Loans, Bills and Advances	"	1,14,36,093 11
Government and other Authorised Securities	"	4,30,022 14 4
Properties and Dead Stock	"	2,32,686 3 7
Bills Contra, and Sundries	"	322,304 13 3
Total	Rs.	1,46,65,948 12 11

N.B.—Fixed Deposits received at 4½ per cent. per annum or 12 months, and at 4 per cent. for 9 months.

By Order of the Board,
F. D. STRANACK,
Manager.

Bombay, 1st July, 896.

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LD.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL	Yens 12,000,000 =	Rs. 24,000,000
PAID UP CAPITAL	" 4,500,000 =	" 9,000,000
RESERVE FUND	" 4,180,000 =	" 8,360,000

HEAD OFFICE :—YOKOHAMA.

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RESERVE FUND £350,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS £800,000

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Colombo.	Batavia.	Yokohama.
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Thaiping.	Hongkong.	Tientsin.
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BANKERS :—
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The Corporation buy and receive for collection Bills of Exchange : grant Drafts payable at the above Agencies and Branches ; and transact general banking business connected with the East.

FIXED DEPOSITS

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T. FRASER,
Acting Agent.

Bombay Agency, Elphinstone Circle.

CRÉDIT LYONNAIS.

ESTABLISHED 1863.

CAPITAL (fully paid) Frs. 200,000,000 = £8,000,000
RESERVE FUND...Frs. 40,000,000 = £1,600,000

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Receives Securities for safe-custody and collects interests or dividends on same on conditions to be arranged.

Grants advances in current account, or for fixed periods on Rupee paper, approved stock, shares, bullion, and produce.

Opens deposit accounts, allowing interest on the daily balances.

Receives fixed deposits on terms to be ascertained on application

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HEAD OFFICE :—14, Rue Bergere.
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CAPITAL ...Frs. 100,000,000 (£4,000,000).

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BRANCHES in all Principal Towns of France, Calcutta, Bombay, Tunis, San Francisco, Chicago, New Orleans, Melbourne, Sydney, Tamatave and Tananarivo.

Current Deposit Accounts are opened, and Interest is allowed on Daily Balances from Rs. 1,000 up to Rs. 100,000. Rates to be learnt on application.

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C. HENRIOT,
Manager.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid up Capital.....$ 100,00,000
Reserve Fund.....$ 60,00,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors.....$ 100,00,000

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T. JACKSON, *Chief Manager.*

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CALCUTTA.	MANILA.	SINGAPORE.
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NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LD.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ...£1,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL £500,000
RESERVE FUND £170,000

HEAD OFFICE :
47, THREADNEEDLE STREET, LONDON, E.C.

BRANCHES :
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FIXED DEPOSITS.

The Bank receives Deposits fixed for 12 months at 4 per cent.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved Customers, and Interest is allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances from Rs. 1,000 up to Rs. 1,00,000, but no Interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 10 half-yearly.

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	Shares.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last Half-Yearly Divid.	Cash Rate.
INDIAN BANKS.					
Bank. of Bombay	Rs. 20,000	Rs. 400	Rs. all	Rs. p. c. 1 bon.	1,312½
Bank of Bengal	40,000	400	all	10 pr. ct.	1,300
Bank of Madras	10,000	200	all	10 pr. ct.	1,315
Commercial & Ld. Mge ...	{ 10,000 / 15,000 }	100	{ 100 / 75 }	10 p. c.	142
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	100,000	£10	all	5 pr. ct.	86
Charter Bank ...	40,000	£20	£7	7½ pr. ct.	£27
Hongkong and Shanghai Bkg. Corp.	80,000	$125	all	£1-5s.	£44
	40,000	£25	£12½	8 pr. ct.	306
RAILWAY COMPANIES.					
Eastern ...		£10	all	5 p. c.	guar.
Oriental ...	4,725	£25	£12½	6 pr. ct.	370
Presidency ...		100	Nil		40
Mills Co. Ld.	743	1,000	dvd Rs50	1,250	
Queen Mills ...	800	1,000	dvd Rs 60	1,650	
Spinning Co. Ld.	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 60	1,700	
Bipon Mills ...	1,500	1,000	dvd Rs 50	1,050	
Swadeshi Mills ...	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 60	1,450	
Shalapore Mills	500	1,000	dvd Rs 60	1,450	
Sonderdas ...	750	1,000	dvd Rs 45	950	
Southern India Spinning ...	1,000	500	15	125	
Southern Mahratta ...	1,312	250	250 dvd Rs 124	740	
Sun Mills, Ld. ...	1,500	250	250 dvd Rs 20	475	
Standard Mills Co. ...	1,000	500	25	300	
Star Of India ...	1,000	1,000	Nil	650	
Swadeshi Mills. ...	475	500	500 dvd Rs 15	1600	
Swan on and Alliance...	1,000	50	50 dvd Rs 15	6 75	
Union Spinning and Manufacturing Co.	960	1,000	1,000	80	825
Union Mills Ld	60	1,000	1,000 dvd Rs 30	530	
Wadhwan ...				500 dvd Rs 30	555
Lukhmisbunker C Mill Co.	900	500	500 dvd Rs 40	620xd	
Victoria Mills ...	585	1,000	Nil	450	
Western India. ...	1,200	1,000	1,000 dvd Rs 50	700	
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PRESS COMPANIES.				Yearly	
Akbar ...	200	1,250	1,250	75	1,150
Albert Ginning Co. ...	100	500	all	18 pr. ct.	45
Albert (Kurrachee) ...	200	1,100	1,100	Rs 80	1,190
Ballary ...	167	1,000	1,000 dvd 14 x		225
Bhownagger City Press ...	500	250	250	25	275
Bombay Cotton Manufg. Co. Ld ...	1,000	125	125 dv Rs 12½		150
Breul's Cawnpore Press Co., Ld ...	800	200	200	14	1874
Broach City Press Co., Ld	500	200	200 dvd Rs 25		230
Colaba ...	500	1,250	1,250 dvd Rs 15		265
East India ...	250	1,000	75		1,375
English Press and Manfg ...	400	200	...	dvd Rs 8	95
Fort ...	1,600	6,400	250	25-4-9	1,125
French ...	300	500	500 dvd Rs 30		600
Harvey and Bellasyse ...	450	450	500	dvd Rs 40	385
Hingoll Press Co., Ld ...	700	100	100	dvd Rs 11	1224
Khangurin ...	240	450	450	Rs 40	530
Mahuva Press Co., Ld ...	300	200	200	all 15 pr. ct.	255
Mahratta Printing Co., Ltd ...	300	500	500	50	95
Proton G. and P. Co., Ld. ...	200	1,000	125	12½ dvd Rs 4	75
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Imperial Co ...	2,125	400	400	40	515
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Prince of Wales ...	4,000	125	500	25	475
Sahapathy (Bellary) ...	100	500	500	75	225
Samson ...	300	500	500	30	385
Bind and Publish Co ...	100	1,000	1,000	100	1,250
Steel ...	400	2,000	750	50	520
Surab Woollen Mills ...	1,200	250	250	Nil	75
Surat City Press Co., Ld. ...	270	200	all	12	220
Volkart ...	—	1,000	10	dvd Rs 30	1,100
MISCELLANEOUS.				Half yearly	
Alcock Ashdown ...	1,100	100	100	dvd Rs 5	225
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Back Bay Bathing ...	500	50	50	—	5
Badhan Pille...	8,000	100	100	—	12
Bombay & Burma Trading Corporation...	1,000	2,500	1,500	300	6,300
Do. New Issue.	500	375	225	75	1,600
Bombay Land and Building Co., Ld. ...	1,250	100	100	dvd 3	60
Bombay Flour Mill ...	720	500	500	—	5
Deccan Paper Mills ...	1,000	—	500	8 pr. ct.	250
Delhi and Northern India Flour Mills...	1,800	200	200	dvd Rs 16	180
Delhi Cloth & General Mills Co., Ld. ...	2,800	25	250	8 pr. ct.	375
Indian Gamboge Co Ld ...	6,000	100	100	16 pr. ct.	17
Jch n Roberts & Co ...	1,500	100	100	10 pr. ct.	207
Kamp & Co. ...	4,000	200	175	—	333
Kurrachee Landing ...	500	500	300	—	30
Marks & Co., Ld ...	4,000	100	100	dvd Rs 15	180
Napier Hotels Co	2,000	100	100	9 pr. ct.	45
Nasik Forwarding ...	1,000	100	100	—	6
Oriental Govt. Security Life Insurance ...	5,000	250	50	12 pr. ct.	160
Phillips & Co., Ld ...	4,000	100	100	dvd Rs 6	95
Port Canning Co ...	5,000	1,000	1,000	dvd Rs 20	475
Soundy & Co. ...	1,000	100	100	—	90
Thacker & Co ...	1,000	500	120	60	1,070
Thacker & Co. ...	1,500	100	100	135	145
Telephone Co. ...	9,000	251	100	dvd Rs 11	294

PRICES OF BULLION.

Sovereigns ...	Rs. 16-2
5-rupee Pieces ...	nom
Gold Five-Franc Pieces ...	nom
Bar Silver ...	„ 85
Gold Leaf ...	„ 15-14
Bar Gold, English (no touch) ...	„ 15-9
Bar Australian ...	„ 15-8
Bar Bombay ...	„ 15-5
Bar Pekin ...	„ 25

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Three and-a-half per cent Reduced ...	109 11
Three and-a-half per cent 1893 ...	109-2
Municipal 3 per cent, Debenture Loans ...	98
Do. 3 per cent Loan 3 per cent, 1877 ...	nom
City of Paris Loan ...	nom
Unguaranteed Four per cent. Port Trust Bond ...	112

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London Banks ...	On demand ...	is. 3 3-32 d.	
Do. do. ...	Telegraphic ...	1 32 d.	
Do. do. ...	3 Months sight.	1s. 3 5-16 d.	
Do. do. ...	4 Do. do.	.....	
Do. do. ...	6 Do. do.	.....	
Do. Documents ...	2 Do. do.	1s. 3 5-16 d.	
Do. do ...	4 Do. do.	1s. 3 7-16 d.	
Do. Credits ...	4 Do. do.	1s. 3 9-32 d.	
Do do. ...	6 Do. do.	1s. 3 13-32 d.	
France ...	3 Do. do.	160¾	
Do. ...	4 Do. do.	161¼	
Calcutta ...	At sight ...	100 3-32	
Do. ...	14 days ...	do. 99 11-16	
Madras ...	At sight ...	100 3-32	
Do. ...	30 days ...	do. 99 5-16	
China ...	30 days ...	do. 168	

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Fifth Criminal Sessions, 10 a.m.
P. and O. s. s. Oriental, with English mails of the 13th inst., due to arrive, 8 a.m.
Fort Press Company, Colaba, 3 p.m.
Bombay extra races, Mahaluxmi Race-course.
Distribution of prizes, St. Mary's College, the Archbishop of Bombay presiding, 5-30 p.m.
Western India Temperance Council, Dr. Pesikaka's Chambers, Hornby Row, 5-30 p.m.
Lecture on "The Soul's Thirst for God," by Lieut.-Colonel Freeman, Church Mission Hall, Girgaum, 6 p.m.
Concert, Colaba High School, 8-45 p.m.
Bombay Volunteer Parades.
Roller Skating Rink.

TO-MORROW.

Sun rises, 6h. 17m. Sun sets, 5h. 21m. High water, 5-27m., 6-27a. Low water 0-25a.
Arrival of H. E. the Governor, *en route* to Surat.
Cricket: Elphinstone Cricket Club *vs.* Noble Cricket Club, 10 a.m.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The steamers Satrunjee, Jupiter, and Pekin entered, and the steamers Hoseinee and Clan Fraser left the dock yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The steamer Scindia entered, and the steamer Mirzapore left the dock yesterday.

MISSION LECTURE.—A lecture will be delivered at the Church Mission Hall, Girgaum, at 6 o'clock, this evening, by Lieut.-Col. Freeman. Subject: The Soul's Thirst for God."

THE PROPOSED DINNER TO MR. M. M. BHOWNUGGREE.—The date of the dinner to Mr. M. M. Bhownuggree, C. I. E., M. P., has been altered from the 5th December to 7th December.

LECTU... Under the auspices of the Bal Vidwajana Sabha, Sitaram Vishnu Apte will deliver a public lecture on the Study of Indian History," at Nana's Marathi School, Kalbadevy Road, to-morrow (Sunday), at 3 p.m.

ROYAL BOMBAY GOLF CLUB.—In our ... the St. Andrew's gold medal and handicap competition we omitted to state that Mr. Marshall Reid won the gold medal and one-third of the handicap with a gross score of 79. Mr. Kiddle as the winner of handicap takes two-thirds of the entrance money.

THE WESTERN INDIA TEMPERANCE COUNCIL.—A meeting of the delegates to the Western India Temperance Council will be held, this evening, at 5-30, in Dr. Pesikaka's Chambers, Hornby Row, Fort, to adopt the constitution drawn up by the Committee appointed by the First Bombay Temperance Conference and to elect office-bearers.

POSTAL NOTICES.—Mails for Mombassa, Tanga Daresalam, Zanzibar, and all Eastern ports of Africa up to Natal, also for East London, Algoa Bay, Cape Colony, and Transvaal, per extra s. s. Setos, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 2 p.m. on Monday.—Mails for Natal, Bourboun, and Mauritius, per extra s. s. Naderi, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 4 p.m., on Monday.

SERIOUS MILL ACCIDENT.—Ramsuran Ingroop, aged fifty-five years, a Purdasee, employed in the Indo-China Mill, at Sewree New Road, was, on the morning of the 24th instant, cleaning the opener when his right arm was suddenly caught in the machinery and was badly lacerated. He was conveyed to the J. J. Hospital, where the injured arm grew worse, and was on Thursday last amputated as far as the elbow.

ACCIDENT TO A WATER CART DRIVER.—Rama Dharma, a Municipal water cart driver, residing at Chunam Klin Street, was, on the 23rd instant, unyoking the bullocks attached to his cart at Pinjrapole Lane, when the pole suddenly swung up, striking him on the stomach and knocking him against another water cart, which was close by. Rama, who had sustained serious internal injuries, was conveyed to his house, where he was treated with household remedies. He, however, grew worse, and on Thursday last was removed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, where he is in now being treated.

REPORTED THEFT OF GOLD DUST.—Thowlaibbhai Haji, a Bokhares Mahomedan, at present putting up in the Pakmodia Street, Mussafferkhana, reported to the police, at 9 o'clock, on Thursday night, that about 4 o'clock that afternoon he took out a handkerchief, containing gold dust, weighing nine tolas, and valued at Rs. 200, from his waist and sat on the varandah of the Mussafferkhana inspecting the dust. Shortly afterwards he went out, forgetting all about the handkerchief and its precious contents. On returning home, about 6 p.m., he remembered about it, but on looking for it on the verandah, where he had been sitting, he found it gone.

CATHOLIC SERVICE.—On Sunday, the feast day of Our Lady of Health at Cavel, his Lordship the Bishop of Damaun opened his pastoral visit, and was received, at 10 a.m., by a large concourse of people. Mr. Julio Britto read an address on behalf of the Church committee, and Mr. Xavier de Souza on behalf of the parishioners, to both of which his Lordship replied adequately. "Mercadante" Mass was sung, some amateur ladies taking part. The music was very good. The Rev. Continho preached an impressive sermon, and the Sacrament of Confirmation was conferred upon some children, to whom his Lordship offered as souvenir religious and moral books.

FATAL SNAKE-BITE.—Mr. Allan F. Turner, the coroner, held an inquiry, yesterday, at Naigaum, touching the death of Shivram Atmaji, aged eighteen years, lately a malee in the service of Mr. Haji Sulleman Jooma, residing in his master's premises at Bhaudal Road. About 8 o'clock, on Thursday night, deceased went out to purchase some cocoanut oil, and about half-an-hour afterwards was returning home, when passing through a small passage leading to the compound of the bungalow, he was bitten by a snake on the inner side of the left leg, sustaining a punctured wound thereon. Rama called his brother-in-law, who is also a malee in the same compound, but before the latter could state the plight in which deceased slowly walked home, where he complained of giddiness, and was seated on a chair on the verandah of the bungalow. Suddenly he was seized with a fit, and falling off the seat, expired. A verdict of death from snake-bite was returned by the jury.

FIRE AT DUNCAN ROAD.—About a quarter to 2 o'clock, yesterday morning, a fire broke out in a godown containing cotton twine and thread, belonging to Tribhowandas Jadhowji, and occupied by Lukhmidas Virji, at Duncan Road. The fire was first discovered by a Parsee, named Bhicajee Shivshanker, who noticed volumes of smoke issuing from the roof of the godown and raised an alarm. Telephonic messages were sent to different fire-brigade stations, and the Babulla Tank steamer under Mr. Wilson was promptly on the spot, followed by the Nesbit Road, Chinchpoogiy, Gowalia Tank, and Fort, but they were not brought into requisition as water from lines of hose attached to the hydrants were thought sufficient to keep the outbreak in check. The flames were completely extinguished in about an hour. The damage to the contents of the godown is estimated at Rs. 12,000 and to the building at Rs. 800. From enquiries made by the police subsequently it appears that the contents of the godown were mortgaged to the present tenants by Messrs. Raghowji Kursondas and Kursondas Padamsey for Rs. 12,000 a month ago and Rs. 4,000 had been paid on the mortgage. The property was insured with the Megji Insurance Company by Lukhmidass Virji for Rs. 15,000. The origin of the outbreak is not known.

ENTERTAINMENT IN AID OF THE EAST INDIAN ASSOCIATION.—A very successful entertainment was given on Thursday, at the Novelty Theatre, in aid of the funds of the Bombay East Indian Association, and the several ladies and gentlemen who took part in it certainly deserve to be congratulated on the manner in which they acquitted themselves. The entertainment opened with a well-executed piano solo by Miss Julia Valladares. Miss E. Viegas then sang the popular song, "Espanita," in charming style, and for this was loudly applauded, in response to an encore she gave the comic song "Di Di," which convulsed the house with laughter. Miss Gallwitz's masterly execution on the violin of De Beriot's Fifth Air was much appreciated, having received unanimous encores. As a selection from De Beriot for which she received well-deserved cheers. Miss E. Viegas and Dr. A. Britto contributed a vocal duet, "Sempre Piu," and it greatly amused the audience. Mr. Misquitta sang "Oh Promise Me" in good style, and the first part of the programme was brought to a close with a humorous glee, in which Miss E. Viegas, Miss E. Gomes, Dr. J. G. D'Mello, and Mr. L. da Vida took part. After the interval a one-act farce, entitled "An Unwelcome Visitor," was played, Messrs. J. Bocarro, D. Thompson, and Miss E. Viegas all did well in their respective parts. The stage manager deserves the greatest credit for the successful programme he arranged.

A SAYID DEFAMED.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. Dastur, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, Sayid Akber Ali Rafai charged Karam Ali Shah, Hosaini, Kasim Ali Shah, Sayid Hisamuddin, Mahomed Murad Mohiddin, and Mahomed Ebrahim Pittoo, proprietor of the "Goolzar Hosaini" press, with defaming him and his deceased father, under Section 500, Indian Penal Code, by means of placards. Mr. Kazi Kabiruddin, barrister-at-law, appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Dadysett, barrister-at-law, defended all the accused. At the commencement, Karam Ali Shah, the third accused, offered an apology, and an undertaking not to publish anything defamatory against the complainant. The complainant, Sayid Akber Ali, when examined, stated that he was a Sayid by birth, lived at Chowki Mohalla, and maintained himself by making talwars from among the followers of Islam. He knew all the accused. Peeran Hosaini was a great enemy of his father, and consequently bore an animus towards him. The accused caused one placard to be written against him. He (complainant) lodged a complaint against them, when Sayid Peeran Hosaini offered a written apology. Soon after the accused published another placard, containing more abusive language than the first. Thereupon he sent a notice to all the accused. One of them, Kasim, sent an apology which was accepted. Those placards were printed at the "Goolzar Hosaini" press. Peeran Hosaini sent one copy to him complainant) through his servant, Miyan. At this stage, the enquiry was adjourned.

DEFAMING HIS NEIGHBOUR'S DAUGHTER.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Mr. P. H.Dastur, Fourth Presidency Magistrate, disposed of a case in which Natal, a Native Christian married woman, residing with her husband at Tromway, prosecuted one Jadoona Andrid, a Native Christian, residing at Matoonga, on a charge of defamation, in that the accused called the prosecutrix several bad names, which lowered her morality in the estimation of her caste people, and harmed her reputation. Mr. Moroji Cassinath, pleader, appeared for the prosecution, the accused being undefended. The prosecutrix, in her information, stated that although she resided with her husband, at Tromway, she frequently visited her parents at their house, at Matoonga, and stayed with them for some days. On the evening of Saturday, the 24th October last, while she was at her parents' house, she was driving her father's bullocks from his field to his house, when the accused, who was the neighbour, abused and intimidated her for driving the bullocks from the lane between his house and that of her father. The lane or the ground of the lane belonged to the father of the prosecutrix, and the accused had no reason either to abuse or intimidate her, and when the prosecutrix remonstrated with him for his conduct, the accused called her by a bad name, and stated that she had at one time improper intimacy with a certain man, whose name he gave. The prosecutrix felt this much, and made a complaint before her caste people. About noon, on the following day, a caste meeting was assembled, which the accused attended, and to the great regret and annoyance of the prosecutrix, admitted having made certain imputations against the prosecutrix, and asserted that if he was [illegible] prosecuted, he would be able to prove the truth of those allegations. The prosecutrix further stated that what the accused had said against her morals was a horrid lie, and that she had greatly suffered in mind, body, and reputation by the false accusations. After the evidence for the prosecution was recorded, the accused in his defence said that as the father of the prosecutrix abused his (accused's) daughter, he in return abused his daughter. His Worship convicted the accused, and sentenced him to five months' simple imprisonment.

RETURN OF THE INDIAN CONTINGENT.

IT was stated in a Reuter's telegram, yesterday, that the Transport Lawada had stranded outside Suakin, but enquiries made here show, however, that it is not the Lawada, but Vadala, that has met with this accident. She left here on the 15th instant under Captain P. L. Wadge, and was expected to reach Suakin on the 25th, and it appears she was stranded before entering the harbour. The Royal Indian Marine Steamer Warren Hastings, Commander G. E. Holland, arrived in harbour, yesterday morning, from Suakin via Karachi. She left here on the 7th instant and arrived at Aden on the morning of the 13th. After disinfecting the vessel, and taking in coal, Aden was left the same evening for Suakin, which port was reached on the forenoon of the 16th instant. She embarked the 26th Punjab Infantry, and details, and left for Karachi on the following day at 10 a.m., arriving at the last named port, on the afternoon of the 24th, where she disembarked the Regiment and details. After embarking a few details she again left for Bombay, on the 25th inst, arriving here, at 5-30 a.m. She embarked at Suakin for Karachi 11 officers, 18 native officers, and 705 non-commissioned officers and men of the 26th Punjab Infantry, 3 officers of the staff, 2 Warrant officers, 1 man, 4 Hospital assistants, 7 men, 2 officers of the 35th Sikhs, and 7 men, 1 officer 5th Bombay Mountain, 1 man, Field Post Office, Sergeant [illegible] Post Office, Pythowmio. private followers from [illegible] Karachi she has brought Major and Mrs. Bayley, 25th Bombay Infantry, Captain Carthew Yorstoun, 4th Bombay Cavalry, Lieutenant H. G. Walker, 12th Bombay Infantry, 23 European details, and one child, 1 native officer, and 12 men, School-master A. S. Craig, wife, and three children.

THE KITCHENS OF WATSON'S HOTEL.

YESTERDAY, at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. Webb, Third Presidency Magistrate, Mr. J. Cronan, manager of Watson's Hotel, appeared again to answer the summons issued against him for failing to comply with certain orders of the Municipality, namely, to limewash and clean the kitchens of the hotel and to clean and repair the waste-water pipes from which waste-water ran into the gulley between the hotel and the Army and Navy Co-operative Stores buildings.

The Magistrate remarked that in the morning he inspected the premises, and was not at all satisfied as to the manner in which the kitchen was looked after. There were places in the kitchen where limewashing could be done. His Worship also noticed dabs of paint on the walls. This was not exactly what was deposed to by the manager on Thursday.

Mr. Cronan replied that he would carry out all the requirements of the Municipality, if he was told that it must be done.

Dr. Weir drew the Magistrate's attention to the condition of the water pipes from which filthy water ran. The kitchens he inspected on Thursday, were in a perfectly disgraceful condition. The crevices of the wooden table in the kitchen were filled with rotten bits of flesh, and vegetables were lying about among the dirty clothes of the servants.

Mr. Cronan said that he did not know there was anything wrong about the kitchens. He had asked Professor Hankin that morning to inspect the premises, but as he was busy with the special work for which he was deputed by Government he could not obtain professional opinion or otherwise.

Dr. Weir said he was afraid that if Professor Hankin had examined the premises he would have said the same as the Health Department.

The further hearing of the matter was adjourned for a week to see what progress would be made towards complying with the Municipal requirements. The Magistrate further remarked that the meat in the kitchen should be dressed on a marble table instead of a wooden one.

PASSENGERS PER S. S. OCEANIEN.

THE following is the list of passengers per s. s. Oceanien, which sails, to-day, for Marseilles :—

Mrs David
Miss Campbell
Capt F Spence
Mrs Holdsworth and child
Major Fawcett
Mr M Meinertzen
Capt and Mrs Rich
Mrs Richer
Miss Hogg
Miss Lawrence
Mr Richer
Genl Wm Ward, C B
Major A M Monteith
Col Hogg
Mrs Sayer, and infant
Capt T Y Seddon
Capt J C Keown
Capt L E Cooper
Surg-Capt Smith
Major Montresor
Mrs W Drysdall
Mrs W K Traill, and infant
Lt A W Dunlop
Major Hughes
Lt A S Ferguson
Mrs Dallas Murray
Mr T Miller
Mrs Clark
Mr F Delavoye
Mr and Mrs Mengin
Mr Levy Valoney
Mr and Mrs
Mr Defrance
V Collaco

BOMBAY EXTRA RACE MEETINGS.

A SUBSCRIBER of Rs. 25 will receive a ticket admitting to all extra meetings except Steeplechases, and also a ticket, admitting two ladies, which latter will be transferable.

Gentlemen who have not already subscribed and who may wish to do so, can enter their names at the Grand Stand, to-day, in a book which will be provided for the purpose.

By kind permission of Lieut-Col. H. H. Swan and Officers the Band of the G. I. P. Railway Volunteers will play at the Mahaluxmi Race-course, this evening, at 3-30.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS.

THE following is a list of messages remaining undelivered in the Central Telegraph Office, Bombay, during the week ending 26th November :—

Station from	Address in full as received.
Chakradharpur ...	Miss. Wiese, passenger by Imperatrix.
Ellichpur ...	Sorabji Jivanji Engineer, 25 Banajee Lane, Fort.
Gwalior Residency ...	Chamilas Brangs Con.
Hyderabad Deccan ...	Sesaikalli Bin Salim Bossoor Esmail Sait Mahalla market.
Rangoon ...	Joonus Hajee Khamisa, Esq.
Rangoon ...	Abraham Sofaer, Masjid.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR G. W. ROUGHTON, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 28th November, 1896.

1. The following Corps having resigned is struck off the strength of the Corps from this date :—Gr. G. B. Harman.

2. The following member having rejoined is taken on the strength of the Corps and posted to No. 2 subdivision No. 1 Company :—No. 429 Gr. F. Rodycott.

3. The annual practice of this Corps from the solgo guns will be carried out as follows during the ensuing season. The subdivisions in charge of the Orderly Sergts. of each company will each fire a gun team. The third gun will be manned and relief found by the remainder of the Corps.

By order,
A. J. PEILE, Capt.,
Adjutant B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY COLONEL R. S. BROWN, V.D., COMMANDING.

Bombay, 28th November, 1896.

1. There will be no parade this afternoon.
2. The Range at Cooria will be available for class firing throughout the day to-day the 28th instant.
3. Leave of absence has been granted to Vol. H. A. Wray, C Company, from the 28th December 1896.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

1. Mr. W. R. Bogue having joined is taken on the strength of the Corps from the 24th instant and posted to B Troop.
2. There will be class firing at Cooria on the 28th instant.

By order,
C. MOSS, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

NOTICE.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES CRICKET CLUB.

The first dance of the Club will take place in the Town Hall, on Friday, the 11th December 1896 at 9 p.m.

Fancy or Evening Dress.

Tickets can be obtained from the following :—
Capt. F. W. English, Byculla, School, Byculla.
Lieut. H. C. Roe, Apollo Bunder, Fort.
Sergt.-Major J. R. Downing, Head-quarters, Bo. Vol. Rifles, Qr.-Mr. Sergt. W. Stephens, Stephens & Sons, Girgaum.
Colr.-Sergt. H. Black, Govt. Tel. Office, Pythowmio.
Colr.-Sergt. R. F. Smith, Grants Buildings, Colaba.
Colr.-Sergt. W. J. Knight, Cathedral High School.
Sergeant W. G. Nicoll, Victoria Buildings, Fort.
Sergeant S. F. Pearcey, Government Dockyard, Fort.
Corporal G. F. Lund, Lund and Blockley, Fort.
Volunteer J. C. Row, Mandvi Estate, Mazagon.
W. R. Green's Restaurant, Apollo Bunder.

Fancy Dress.

Members Re. 1-8 to include one lady.
Members of the Corps Rs. 2 to include one lady.
Others Rs. 3 to include one lady.

Evening Dress.

Members Rs. 2 to include one lady.
Members of the Corps Rs. 3 to include one lady.
Others Rs. 4 to include one lady.
Extra lady Re. 1.
Light refreshments will be provided.

APROPOS of the L. C. C.'s choice of Commander Wells as Fire Brigade Chief, a correspondent writes :—

The choice by the Council of Fire Brigade Chief
Their forethoughts and carefulness tells :
For it never the water-supply comes to grief,
They can always depend on their Wells.

SPECIALITE FOR THE SKIN—Purest, most emollen and most hygienic of all soaps—The ALBION MILK AND SULPHUR SOAP is a highly agreeable and beneficial luxury for the toilet, bath, and nursery; and leaves the skin in a pure refreshed and healthy condition, absolutely pure. When used for shaving, it renders the skin delightfully cool and comfortable. Delicately perfumed. Sold by all Chemists, Stores, &c.

ROWLANDS MACASSAR OIL prevents hair falling off or turning grey, cleanses it from scurf and dandruff, and makes it beautifully soft, pliable, and glossy. It is the best Brilliantine, contains no mineral ingredients, can be had in a golden colour for fair hair, and is most exquisitely perfumed. Sold by Chemists and Drug Stores. Avoid spurious imitations and buy only Rowlands' Macassar Oil, of 20, Hatton Garden, London.

FIFTH CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

YESTERDAY, at the Bombay Criminal Sessions, the trial of the following case was concluded before the Hon. T. Strahan, Sessions Judge, and Special Jury.

THE FORGED GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION: VERDICT OF GUILTY.

THE PRISONER SENTENCED.

Ganesh Shunker Dravid, who appeared in jail dress, was charged with having, on the 20th July last, escaped from the custody of the acting Superintendent of the House of Correction, at Bombay, in which he was detained as a prisoner under a sentence of three years' rigorous imprisonment for theft of a forged security, the paybill of the late Colonel Humphrey, Inspector-General of Police. Prisoner was further charged with forging a Government Resolution, purporting to be signed by Sir Charles Ollivant, acting Chief Secretary to Government; with fraudulently using a forged document as genuine; and with having in his possession a forged document, intending that the same should be used as genuine. The Hon. Mr. Lang and Mr. Russell, instructed by the Public Prosecutor, appeared for the Crown; and Mr. J. C. Anderson, instructed by Mr. G. S. Dandwate, High Court pleader, appeared for the defence. The undermentioned gentlemen were empannelled upon the

SPECIAL JURY.

Mr. F. G. Dumayne, foreman,
Mr. M. F. Reid — Mr. E. M. Deane
Mr. W. A. Collins — Mr. Edwin Yeo
Mr. J. H. Kaye — Mr. S. E. Shellim
Mr. A. McLaggan — Mr. P. L. Wright.

Counsel for the defence having expressed his intention to call no evidence,

Mr. Lang, in summing up the evidence for the Crown, referred to the circumstances under which the forged Government resolution was received by Mr. Hall, the Superintendent of the House of Correction. He would possibly have been struck by anybody at the Secretariat, where all the clerks knew that Sir Charles Ollivant had vacated the office of acting Chief Secretary to Government. The probability of the resolution having reached Mr. Hall on the Monday morning was supported by the fact of its having reached Mr. Crummey on Sunday afternoon at his bungalow. The jemadar further supported this statement, for he said he saw from near the cupboard a post-man deliver the post through the iron railing of the gateway. This was a serious matter to the Superintendent, and Mr. Jones, the jailer, who were naturally anxious to make light of the instances of want of discipline in short which the evidence disclosed. Mr. Jones made a false statement when he said that the iron railing of the gateway could not be seen from near the cupboard. The rules of the jail were extremely lax, and Mr. Jones did his best to get rid of the fact. The learned Advocate-General asked the jury to accept the fact of the jemadar having seen the post-man deliver the letters on Sunday; but they were not delivered to the Superintendent until Monday morning. They must, therefore, have remained in somebody's possession at the jail from Sunday to Monday morning. The jury might take it as they chose, not in the possession of the acting jailer; and that they were intercepted by some body who had no right to do so. The jemadar said that the prisoner was at the time sitting in the jailer's office. The paper on which the forged resolution was written had been cut down to make it of the size of ordinary foolscap. Every single detail which was mentioned in the resolution was repeated in the jail register except when they came to the warders and other jail officials, the prisoner was allowed to roam at his pleasure from place to place, or to visit Brodie in his cell any morning he wished. Brodie, while in Bombay, had not told any body a word about his having been duped, but kept it in the dark till the last moment as to what Mr. Crawford really had to say. Mr. Anderson submitted that the opportunities to the prisoner to make the document were not at all what the Advocate-General had represented them to be. The facilities said to be within his reach had been greatly exaggerated. All the jail rules and regulations were lost sight of, and the prisoner was left practically unwatched and ignored, in order to make up an imaginary case against the accused, fixing him to be the author of the forged Government resolution. Mr. Anderson submitted that there was a greater probability of the forged resolution having been made up in the Secretariat. There were a number of Portuguese clerks employed in the Secretariat, and it was quite probable that some one or more of them concocted the resolution to revenge the release of their fellow man, Caitan Rodrigues.

THE IMPROBABILITIES OF THE PROSECUTION

THEORIES.

Turning to the receipt of the resolution at the jail, the learned counsel said that, supposing it arrived on Monday morning, the prisoner had scarcely half-an-hour to introduce the forged resolution into the Government envelope. In half-an-hour he could not have procured water to open the cover; and there was nothing to show that water was at hand. There were several other circumstances to render it most improbable that the prisoner could have opened the envelope and introduce the resolution into it in such short time. The memory of the post peon could not be relied on; he could not be supposed to know the number of letters he delivered at a particular place on a particular day; he had hundreds of letters to deliver daily; and it would be very unsafe to rely on his statement that he delivered a particular letter at the jail on Sunday morning, and not on Monday morning. There was no evidence at all except the jemadar's to show that the letter came to the jail on Sunday morning. Coming to the position of the master-key which opened all the locks in the jail, the learned counsel said it was incredible that the jailer would have hung it on an open nail in the wall. Supposing that the letter arrived on Sunday, it was not proved that the prisoner had an opportunity of intercepting it, for the acting jailer said that the prisoner was in his custody at the time, and they would not have overlooked any act of the prisoner in reference to the letter. Mr. Anderson next commented upon the Government resolution. The prisoner was a man who had many years experience in a Government office; and it might be presumed that he would have known better than to make the errors contained in the resolution. For instance, he would have known that it would be useless on the part of Government to ask the jail authorities to set aside a conviction by the High Court on the ground that there had been an error in law. The failing connection of the documents, Mr. Anderson said, was rather in favour of the prisoner than against him. As to the hand-writing of the document, the learned counsel, after commenting upon Mr. Crawford's evidence, submitted there was absolutely no proof of a similarity with the prisoner's hand-writing. Mr. Anderson asked the jury if anything could be more rotten or more absurd than the story told by Brodie? It was incredible that, with a staff of warders and other jail officials, the prisoner was allowed to roam at his pleasure from place to place, or to visit Brodie in his cell any morning he wished. Brodie, while in Bombay, had not told any body a word about his having been duped, but kept it in the dark till the last moment as to what Mr. Craw

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TOYS! TOYS!! TOYS!!! Hundreds of new Novelties from Annasi Four, every Requisites for Xmas Tree holders at Cheapest Prices.—SHROFF BROTHERS.

BONA-FIDE SALE of Mr. H. H. Swan's Valuable Furniture, Victoria, Books, Garden, &c., at Harkness Road, Malabar Hill, TO-DAY, at 1 P.M.

ON VIEW.—Mr. H. C. Burder's Valuable Furniture, Piano, Victoria, Dog-cart, Saddlery, Garden, &c., at Mount Napean Road, Malabar Hill, to be SOLD on MONDAY, the 30th instant.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, Nov. 27.

WELCOME rain, the result of cyclonic influences, which has fallen since the state of our last report in some districts on this side of India has caused improvement in agricultural prospects to a certain extent; but great scarcity, to say the least, appears likely to prevail over a considerable area of the Mofussil; and the local fever epidemic still continues, so that trade prospects are anything but bright. Latterly, there has been rather more doing in our principal export staple for shippers' account; but on the whole, business has been very slack, especially in its forward form, for the time of year; and the position of Wheat and Seeds is practically unchanged. Rates of Exchange declined 3-32d. on the day following that of our last report, and the fall had, with some fluctuations, become 1d. by this morning, but rallying again, rates closed, this evening, 5-32d. lower for Bank Paper, and 7-32d. for Credits than last Friday evening's level. Government Paper has been unsteady, and 3½ per Cents are 3-16 per cent. lower than they were a week ago; Threes showing no change. Money is rather easier than it was; but still in good demand. Freights are steady at about previous quotations, the higher rates demanded in a former market not having led to business. The Import market is very dull in presence of the bad harvest prospects, and prices of staple Manchester goods have given way somewhat.

MONEY.—Since the Presidency Bank advanced its rates by one per cent. a second time last week, at Thursday's Board Meeting, the Money Market has become less stringent; and the Presidency Bank's Statement of Affairs issued on Monday last showed an addition to the Cash Balance of nearly 29 lakhs, compared with an increase of some 16 lakhs as disclosed by the previous Return. The principal movement during last week was in Private Deposits, to which an accession of 28½ lakhs took place; but there was also a small decrease in Loans, and a material diminution in Bills Discounted, making altogether a falling off in trade requirements of 352 lakhs, as against a falling off in the same direction in the week preceding of 9½ lakhs. In Government Deposits there was a decrease at the Bank's head office and branches, aggregating about 9 lakhs.

Though somewhat less tight, Money has meantime been in good demand, and the minimum rate of the Bank of Bombay remains at 8 per cent., 7 per cent. being quoted in the open market.

EXCHANGE.—The market was steady to firm at opening last mail-day, at 1s. 3 5-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 9-16d. for three months' sight Credits. Rates advanced 1-32d. for Bank media of remittance, and some business was done in Demand ready and for future delivery. Quiet and weak in tone on Monday, rates opened at 1s. 3 5-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3 9-16d. for three months' sight Credits, but fell away quickly, and at the close three months' sight Merchants' Bills could have been placed at 1s. 3 3-8d., while Banks were unwilling to sell for any delivery and the market closed weak. On Tuesday rather an unsettled feeling prevailed in the market with 1s. 3d. quoted for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3 2d. for three months' sight Credits, from which rates advanced 1-16 to 3-32d., all round. The Bazaar were sellers forward, but Merchants bought little and Private Bills were scarce. Rates were quiet but steady the following day, at 1s. 3 1-16d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3 5-16d. for three months' sight Credits. A small amount was sold by a Bank at 1s. 3 1-8d.; but business was upon a very small scale. For Telegraphic and Demand for Bank remittance, the quotation at opening yesterday, was 1s. 3d. and for three months' sight Credits 1s. 3 3-16d. Business was very small, Merchants' Bills were scarce, and there were but few buyers of Bank Paper. To-day the feeling was steady at opening at 1s. 3d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3 7-32d. for three months' sight Credits. The Bazaar were sellers, and rates advanced to 1s. 3 3-32d. for Bank remittance, while there were no buyers of Merchants' Bills under 1s. 3 11-32d., and the market closed firm as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand		1s. 3 3-32d.	per rupee.
Do.	Telegraphic	1s. 3 3-32d.	"
Do.	3 months' sight	1s. 3 5-32d.	"
Credits	3	Do. 1s. 3 9-32d.	"
Do.	6	Do. 1s. 3 13-32d.	"
Documents	3 months' sight	1s. 3 5-16d.	"
Do.	6	do. 1s. 7-16d.	"
Francs	3	do. 100⅜	"
Do.	6	do. 101½	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER opened on Saturday last at 100¼ for 3½ per Cents for Cash and the coming Settlement, and declined to 100 3-8 in both positions, but rallied before the close, and left off steady at 100 5-8 for Money and Account; Threes were quoted at 99, nominal. On Monday the rate for Money and Account, for 3 1-2 per Cents was 100 7-16, from which an advance took place to 101, in a strong market; for the December Settlement 101⅛ was named, and Threes were nominal. Rates were strong in tone on Tuesday at 101 7-16 for 3 1-2 per Cents for the Settlement, from which they declined to 100½, afterwards rallying to 100 15-16 for Cash, 100 7-8 for the near Account, and 100 1-8 for December; Threes stood at 99 1-2, nominal. On Wednesday the quotation for 3 1-2 per Cents, for both Money and Account, was 100 1-8 with the December Account quoted at 101 7-16, at which rates the market remained strong all day and closed on the same level; 99½ was named for three per Cents. Yesterday the market was weak in tone at 101 3-8 for 3 1-2 per Cents for Money and Account, and advanced therefrom to 101 1-2, then declined to 100 15-16, but recovered again, and closed steady at 101 for Cash and the coming Settlement, and 101 5-16 for December, for Threes the rate was 99. To-day the market has been weak, and quotations for 3½ per Cents after opening at 100 9-16 for Cash and the Settlement, and 100 7-8 for the 5th January Account, declined 3-16ths from these rates, closing at the reduced level, with 98½ named for Threes.

Municipal Five per cent. Loan is 5 per cent. lower, at 128. Port Trust Bonds have declined 1 per cent. to 112.

SHARES.—During the past week the movement in the market has been limited, and prices generally have shown an upward tendency. In Mill Scrip, they have changed in sellers' favour almost without exception; in Presses there have been but very few changes; and in miscellaneous shares, the changes have favoured sellers equally with buyers. Compared with those of last Friday quotations now show an advance of Rs. 150, in Manockjee Petit Mill shares; of Rs. 100, in China; of Rs. 50 each, in Currimbhoy, Lukhmidass, Madras United, and Morarjee Goculdas; of Rs. 45, in Queen; of Rs. 35, in Connaught; of Rs. 30 each, in Alliance, and Ripon; of Rs. 25 each, in City of Bombay, Framjee Petit, and Howard and Bullough; of Rs. 20 each, in Jivraj Balloo, Oriental, Swadeshi, and Western India; of Rs. 15 each, in Coorla, David, and James Greaves; of Rs. 10 each, in Hindustan, Hingunghut, and New Great Eastern; of Rs. 5 each, in Bombay Cotton, and Mazagaon; and a decline of Rs. 30, in Colaba Land and Mills; and of Rs. 25, in Sassoon and Alliance. In Presses English, are Rs. 5 lower; while New Indian, are Rs. 7½ higher; and New Berar, Rs. 5. In Miscellaneous Bombay Flour have advanced, Rs. 7½; Treacher, Rs. 10; Kemp and Co., and Alcock Ashdown, Rs. 5 each; and John Roberts, Rs. 2. Bombay-Burma Trading have declined, Rs. 50, in the first issue; and Rs. 43, in the second; and Port Canning, Rs. 5.

IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS.—Our market for staple *Grey Goods* has become very dull in consequence of the purchases of up-country buyers showing an increase. Their wants are very small, while the supplies at the district markets are very plentiful; and hence the present position of things. Rates here are generally lower by about one anna per piece, and dealers are open to sell at reduced prices owing to the fall in Manchester. In *Becauked, Dyed, Turkey Red*, and *Printed* goods very little business has been reported during the past week, and prices have a downward tendency. *Locally-made* Goods are very dull. Holders are anxious sellers, but they find very few purchasers. The total Clearances of imported Goods from the Bazaar during the week are estimated at 2,200 packages; and of *Local* about 1,000 bales.

YARNS.—Business in *Imported Twist* has been very slack during the week under review; but the tone of the market has been steady, and prices are unchanged. In *Local Spinnings* there has been in China, business worth mentioning passing. Buyers have made a few offers, but as they were much below sellers' views they have not been accepted; and only a small business has been done in the Bazaar. The week's business hardly amount to 500 bales; but China Exchange has improved to Rs. 171. The Market closed quiet at the following official quotations:—

Twist	No.	Mule, As.		4 5-8 per lb.	per rupee
"	8s	"	4½	4⅜	"
"	10s	"	4⅝	4½	"
"	12s	"	5	4⅞	"
"	16s	"	5⅝	5⅜	"
"	20s	"	6	5¾	"
"	24s	"	6⅞	7	"
"	30s	"	7¼	7⅛	"
"	40s	"	8	8¼	"

METALS.—Both *Copper* and *Yellow Metal* have advanced in value Rupee 1 per cwt. during the week, the tone of the market having been steady, with a moderate business reported. *Iron* is steady and unchanged at previous quotations.

COAL.—Sales have been reported during the past week of a cargo of *Powells Duffryn*, November-December shipment, at Rs. 22 per ton, and another of the same description, of December shipment, at Rs. 22, or January at Rs. 21 per ton, at sellers' option. In *Bengal* Coal rates have been made of ready at Rs. 11½; and forward at Rs. 11¾ per ton for *Seebpore*; and *Sanctoria* is selling, forward, at Rs. 12¾ per ton. In *Singarnie* very large lines have been done during the week with local Mills; and large forward contracts have been made for the year 189[illegible]

[illegible] closed with a very business passing in this staple, in both directions, with prices Rs. 2 to Rs. 3 per candy higher, in a steady market and thereafter the demand, especially from shippers, remained slack for several days, the previous advance in rates being lost, though the feeling was still steady, until yesterday, when a good deal more was done for export on the basis of the reduced quotations. The total purchases for the week have aggregated about 5,000 bales each, by shippers and local consumers, consisting in both cases, of old and ready new Oomrawattee descriptions and Bengal, and old Dholleras, exporters having also contracted for some new Oomras, for December-January delivery. This evening the market closed steady, with prices Re. 1 to Rs. 4 lower than they were a week ago, a moderate business having been reported.

The Receipts of Cotton of the new crop into Bombay during the past week have been 21,300 bales, compared with 19,300 bales to hand during the week preceding, and 48,500 bales arrived in the corresponding week last year; the total excess in Receipts of new Cotton this season to date compared with last being 62,400 bales.

The cyclonic weather which visited Bombay at the close of last week with strong wind and a succession of more or less heavy showers extended to many districts in the Mofussil; and the official telegraphic weather and crop reports received on Monday morning, chiefly in connection with the Cotton crop, advised a fall of rain, ranging from 26 cents at Agra, in the Bengal circle, to about 6¼ inches at Sholapore, sufficient rain having fallen in the latter districts to enable agricultural operations to get a fair start. In most of the districts of the Bengal, Oomrawattee, and Dhollera circles more or less rain within the abovenamed limits had been registered; and at Bhownugger where the plants had been suffering much from the continued drought the crop was flourishing; while at Wadhwan, where the fall was an inch, and the plants were showing [illegible] any damage was expected. The fall [illegible] and done no harm, and the of 30 cents at Broach [illegible] Hubli, in the Dharcrop continued to flourish. [illegible] of over an inch, war circle, prospects, after a fa[illegible] in the were good.

Beyond about 1½ inch of rain at Barsee, Oomrawattee Cotton circle, where the picking of the plants was likely to be delayed, no further fall was registered over the Cotton areas, since the above advices were despatched. The timely fall of rain reported on Monday had improved the harvest prospects in many districts; and at Wadhwan and Bhownugger, especially in the Dollera circle, there had been a marked change for the better in the appearance of the cotton crop.

The following are to-day's quotations for fullpressed Cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool, via Canal, without Commission, viz.:—

Cotton—		Per candy.	Per lb. C. & F.
Bengal, Fine	January	Rs. 180–314.	
Do. Fully Good	do	180–3 3-32d.	
Do. Good	do	150–3 15-16d.	
Bolatee, Fine	nil	nil	
Do. Fully Good	nil	nil	
Khandesh, Fully Good	January	173–3 5-16d.	
Oomra, Fully Good	do	182–3 15-32d.	
Dhollera, Fine	May	200–3 7-8d.	
Do. Fully Good	do	190–3 23-32d.	
Do. Good	do	182–3 19-32d.	
S G Dharwar, Good	nil	nil	
Western	nil	nil	
Broach, Fine	March	213–4d.	
Do. Good	do	200–3 15-16d.	

The arrivals of New Crop Cotton into Bombay this season as compared with last are as follows:—

	Season. 1896-97. F. P. Bales.	Season. 1895-96. F. P. Bales
Bengals	43,000	54,500
Berar	14,000	41,500
Khandeish	11,000	34,000
Hinganghat	600	1,000
	68,600	131,000

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1896. Bales.	1895. Bales.	1894. Bales.
For the week	23,207	51,506	8,440
From 1st Jan. to 26th November	1,764,359	1,612,083	1,563,353
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the week	6,782	.....	1,317
From 1st Jan. to 26th November	730,228	551,575	784,632
Clearances to Calcutta, China, Japan, &c.			
For the week	2,937	991	751
From 1st Jan. to 26th November	327,447	147,534	152,619

WHEAT has remained a steady market during the past week; but business throughout has been upon only a moderate scale for shippers' account, and prices have shown no movement. We quote:—

White Pessy, 91 per cent.	Rs. 6	3	0 per cwt.
Do. 85	" 6	2	3 "
No. 1 Club Delhi	" 6	2	9 "
Red Delhi	" 6	0	0 "
Hard Yellow	" 6	6	0 "
Red Ahmedabad	" 5	15	0 "
Hard Red	" 6	0	0 "

SEEDS like Wheat, has been taken to only a moderate extent by exporters, the feeling also having been steady all the week but without change in prices, beyond a decline of 2 as. per cwt. in *Linseed*. We quote this evening:—

Linseed	Rs. 6	11	0 to Rs. 6 13 0 per cwt.
Rapeseed Yellow Gambia	" 8	4	0 " 8 6 0 "
Do. do. Cawnpore	" 8	0	0 " 8 2 0 "
Do. Red do.	" 7	9	0 " 7 11 0 "
Gingelly, White	" 47	0	0 " 48 0 0 candy
Do. Mixed	" 45	0	0 " 46 0 0 "

The Comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows:—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Wheat for the week	13,085	65,253	61,759
Do. from 1st Jan. to 26th November	3,795,309	4,710,155	3,331,375
Linseed for the week	20,092	20,502	29,835
Do. from 1st Jan. to 26th November	3,445,440	2,671,075	5,238,739
Rapeseed for the week	9,543	8,827	7,745
Do. from 1st Jan. to 26th November	1,272,602	2,082,694	3,347,764
Gingellyseed for the week	40,461	135,523	60,824
Do. from 1st Jan. to 26th November	1,090,663	1,188,133	975,615

The clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Wheat for the week	.....	.....	...
Do. from 1st Jan. to 26th November	1,429,572	2,450,366	1,355,048
Linseed for the week	41,457	.....	32,798
Do. from 1st Jan. to 26th November	3,157,052	2,548,089	5,276,590
Rapeseed for the week	92,427	.....	6,314
Do. from 1st Jan. to 26th November	1,392,857	1,755,049	3,212,610
Gingellyseed for the week	45,421	.....	20,893
Do. from 1st Jan. to 26th November	1,157,827	1,183,949	930,026

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, Nov. 26.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats quiet.

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The Manchester Market has been steady.

2½ per cent. Consols	111 3-8
3 per cent. Rentes	102¼
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	119¼
3½ per cent. Rupee Paper	92 5-8
Bar Silver	30

The sum of about £1,65,000 has been withdrawn from the Bank of England for Egypt.

The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday, show the following results:—Total Bullion, £36,000,000; Increase, £300,000; Public Deposits, £6,900,000; Increase, £500,000; Other Deposits, £23,000,000; Decrease, £400,000; Other Securities, £27,100,000; Decrease, £600,000; Notes and Gold, £21,800,800; Increase, £300,000. The Bank's Reserve is 54 per cent. of the Liabilities.

DAILY EXPORTS.—NOVEMBER 27.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Aston Hall s—100 bales wool, Mooljee Thakersee; 6,000 cwt bonemeal, R Kaderbhoy; 1,500 cwt linseed, Glade and Co; 1,128 cwt myrabolams, E D Sassoon and Co; 320 cwt coiryare, L Manockchand.

FOR LONDON.

Peninsular s—50 cwt buffalo horns, V Gangjee; 4 cases condiments, D P Batha and Co; 235 cwt coir ropes, Ritchie Stewart and Co.

FOR ANTWERP.

Jupiter s—200 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co; 9 bales hemp, John L Kerston.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Ocoanion s—11 bales cotton carpets, Currimsey Damjee.

FOR GENOA.

R Rubattino s—300 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 140¾ cwt Linseed, A Blascheck and Co; 200 bales cotton Glade and Co.

FOR NAPLES

R Rubattino s—1208 cwt cottonseed, A Blascheck and Co.

FOR TRIESTE.

Imperatrix s—220 bales cotton, 600 cwt myrabollams, Volkart Brothers; 112 cwt gum, Tyabjee and Co.

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(Compiled for despatch by the Weekly Mail to Europe.)

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RUSSIAN AND TURKISH FINANCES.

VIENNA, Nov. 27.

The "Neue Freie Press" states that Russia is opposed to international control over Turkish finances, because she does not wish Great Britain to co-operate at a moment when the re-opening of the Egyptian question is perhaps imminent.

THE RISING IN THE PHILIPPINES.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

The British Consul at Manila and the Government at Hongkong are constantly exchanging telegrams respecting the state of affairs in the Philippines.

H. M. S. Pique has been ordered to join H. M. S. Daphne at Manila.

MR. POYNTER KNIGHTHED.

Mr. Edward Poynter, the new President of the Royal Academy, has been knighted.

THE INCREASE IN THE WAR ESTIMATES.

The *Pall Mall Gazette* says that the increase in the war estimates will be devoted to completing the re-armament of the Artillery, and to forming [illegible] Battalions and reorganizing the several [illegible] Transport.

KUMASSI TO BE REINFORCED.

Lieutenant Henderson, with one hundred men, has left Cape Coast Castle to reinforce the Kumassi garrison.

FOREIGNERS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

The Transvaal Volksraad has decided that no foreigner shall be admitted into the Transvaal without a passport, and furthermore, that he must show that he is able to support himself.

THE STRIKE AT HAMBURG.

Eight thousand dockers are now on strike at Hamburg. They are being partially replaced by Swedes and British.

THE PERSIAN MINISTRY.

TEHERAN, Nov. 26.

No successor to the Persian Premier is to be appointed. His duties will be divided between the six new ministers.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Nov. 27.

The death is announced of Mr. Coventry Patmore, author and journalist.

THE MAILS.

SUEZ, Nov. 26.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. India, with the outward mails of the 20th instant, left here, at 6-30 p.m., to-day.

ADEN, Nov. 26.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Thames, with the homeward mails of the 21st instant, arrived here, at 10-30 p.m.; to-day.

THE VICEROY AT BARODA.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

BARODA, Nov. 27.

Nothing could exceed the elaborate arrangements made by his Highness to give reception to his Excellency the Viceroy. Everywhere there is joy and revelry. Baroda is very crowded, about seventy thousand people having come from different towns and villages to see the great tamasha. For the last three days special trains filled to their utmost capacity have come daily, and the confusion at the Railway station is beyond description, the bustle and excitement being intense. Five specials crowded to suffocation arrived to-day, and although more than six ticket-collectors were employed, it took nearly half-an-hour each time to clear the passengers. Mr. Tudball has specially come to superintend the heavy traffic. Khan Bahadur Nowrojee Mody, of the Railway Police, has made admirable arrangements to maintain peace and order, and up till now no hitch has occurred.

At 11 o'clock, a deputation, consisting of Captain Cox, Assistant Resident, and the Dewan, proceeded by a special train to Amedabad to receive his Excellency, on behalf of the Maharaja, who was present at the station, which was gaily decorated with flags and banners and festoons of flowers. The platform was carpeted with crimson cloth. A Guard-of-Honour of 100 rank-and-file, supplied by the 8th Bombay Infantry, was drawn up under Captain Browne, Cantonment and Railway Magistrate. Besides his Highness, there were also present: Anandrao Gaekwar, Gunpatrao Gaekwar, Khasherao Shirke, Anandrao Rajee Pandare, Nawab Mir Jamaludin, Ukhajirao Kakasaheb, Ramchander Jamnaskar, Kersaspji Dadachanji, Shankerao Krishna, and Khan Bahadur Pestonji Khandalawalla; while among the Europeans were: Colonel Martelli, the Resident, Messrs. L. R. Forrest, Grattan Geary, T. J. Bennett, G. Lynn Crosthwaite, the Rev. Beck, F. S. P. Lely, I. C. S., and others.

At 5 o'clock, a special, conveying the Viceroy, Lady Elgin, Lord Bruce, the Hon'ble Robert Bruce, Lady Elizabeth Bruce, Colonel Durand, Military Secretary, Mr. H. Babington Smith, Captain Pollen, Captain Adam, Captain Morley, Dr. Franklin, Mr. Cunningham, Foreign Secretary, and other members of the Staff, arrived. A salute of 31 guns was fired as the train steamed in. On alighting from the saloon, his Excellency, in company of his Highness, inspected the Guard-of-Honour, which presented arms, the band playing. Those present were then introduced to the Viceroy, who shook hands with them. Outside the station the Maharaja's troops formed a Guard-of-Honour, which presented arms, and played the National Anthem as the Viceroy entered the State carriage, and drove off to the Residency with his Highness and the Resident. The whole road was lined with troops, a large concourse of people having thronged the road five or seven deep to have a glimpse at the Viceroy's face. They lustily cheared the gubernatorial party as it drove along. As the party entered the Residency, a second salute of 31 guns was fired. The decorations all along the route are admirable. The distribution of banners, flags, streamers, venetian masts, festoons, etc., was in the hands of Mr. Dinsnaw Taleyarkhan, Municipal Commissioner, who rose to the height of the occasion. Dictorial illumants expressing in kaleidoscopic way greetings to the Viceroy were done by the students of the Art School in a manner which reflected great credit on them. This evening the city was beautifully illuminated. All arrangements in connection with the tamasha are placed in the hands of Mr. Pestonji Khandalawalla, who is most assiduous and attending to the many calls upon him in a praiseworthy manner.

Owing to the heavy telegraphic traffic consequent upon the Viceroy's visit, the camp office is made first-class. Mr. O'Reilly, Telegraph Master, is ably managing it.

H. E. THE VICEROY AT PALANPUR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PALANPUR, Nov. 27.

Their Excellencies Lord and Lady Elgin, and party, arrived here, at 9-15 a.m., by special train, and were received at the station by his Highness Sir Shermahomedkhanji Sahib Bahadur, K.C.I.E., Colonel Jackson, Political Superintendent; the young Princes; Mr. Coghill; and Chief Minister. Mr. Dullabbji Ved, and other Agency and Durbar officers were also present. His Highness' Bodyguard presented arms, and the Deesa Camp band struck up music as soon as his Excellency Lord Elgin alighted from his saloon. A salute of thirty-one guns was fired by the Durbar artillery. Immediately after presentation the party adjourned to the shamiana for a sumptuous breakfast provided by a caterer of Bori, of Bombay. On behalf of his Highness, a short reception was then held in the nicely decorated mandap, specially erected on the platform. It being 10 o'clock, his Excellency started for Baroda amidst enthusiastic cheers, and under a salute of thirty-one guns. The whole affair went off most successfully, demonstrating his Highness' loyalty to the British Crown.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, Nov. 26.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Ranald, from Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, arrived, here this evening.

PORTSAID, Nov. 25.

The Hall Line steamer Locksley Hall, left here this morning.

The R. I. S. N. Company's steamer Goorkha left here this morning.

HONGKONG, Nov. 27.

The Florio-Rubattino Company's steamer Bisagno from Bombay, arrived here to-day.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Nov. 27.

Military Works Department.—Lieutenant Cameron, Royal Engineers, on return from Field Service, is posted to Quetta Circle of the Bombay Command, Military Works.

The Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces is pleased to make the following appointments:—

7th Bombay Lancers.—Surgeon-Captain Irvine, M.B., Indian Medical Service, is confirmed in the Medical Charge, vice Surgeon-Captain Jones, transferred to the 20th Bombay Infantry.

20th Bombay Infantry.—Surgeon-Captain Jones, M.B., Indian Medical Service, in Medical Charge of Bombay Lancers, to Medical Charge, vice Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel MacGregor, retired.

Captain Wilkins, 14th Bombay Infantry, was permitted to hold the Adjutancy of the Regiment from the 7th February 1896, date of his promotion to Captain, to 4th March 1896, date of receipt at Regimental Head-quarters of the order notifying that promotion.

In continuation Bombay Command Order, No. 393, of 1896, it is notified that Captain Baker, 2nd Bn. Durham Light Infantry, now in England, has been detailed for duty at the Regimental Depot, vice Captain Sitwell.

The undermentioned officers are directed to report themselves on December 1896 to the Controller of Military Accounts, Bombay Command, Poona, for the purpose of undergoing the course of instruction for the appointment of Acting Pay Master:—

Second-Lieutenant Bath, Royal Fusiliers; Lieutenant Green, South Lancashire Regiment; and Lieutenant Hall, Royal Irish Rifles (they will travel at the public expense—Para 519, six).

Under instructions received from the War Office, it is notified that Lieutenant-Colonel Brackenbury, on promotion to that rank regimentally from the 26th Field Battery, Royal Artillery, has been posted to the Indian Establishment.

Lieutenant [illegible] posted from No. 7 Company, Southern Division, to 26th Field Battery, Royal Artillery.

Major Dawkins has been transferred [illegible] Company, Southern Division, to 26th Field Battery, Royal Artillery.

Major Cooper, on promotion to that rank, from unposted, and who is at present attached to the Intelligence Division, at Head-quarters, has been posted to No. 7 Company, Southern Division, Royal Artillery.

Major Block, No. 3 Company, Eastern Division, has been posted to No. 1 Depot, Southern Division, Royal Artillery.

Major Jellett, on promotion to that rank from the 9th Field Battery, has been posted to No. 3 Company, Eastern Division, Royal Artillery.

Major Jackson, on promotion to that rank from B Battery, Royal Horse Artillery, has been posted to No. 11. Company, Western Division, in room of Major Lecky, who has been posted to the 68th Field Battery Royal Artillery.

Captain Stevens, on promotion to that rank from the 55th Field Battery, has been posted to No. 9 Company, Southern Division, Royal Artillery.

Second Lieutenant Ingham, No. 12 Company, Eastern Division, has been transferred to the 55th Field Battery, Royal Artillery.

The undermentioned Officer is granted leave to proceed out of India (Ceylon), on private affairs, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps, the specified period to count from the date of being struck off duty:—Captain Edwards, 3rd Bombay Light Cavalry, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, Mhow District, for twenty-one days (pension service sixteenth year commenced 2nd October 1896).

The undermentioned officers have leave of absence:—

Staff Corps—Captain (temporary Major) Hogge, 2nd-in-Command, 12th Bombay Infantry, one year, on private affairs, out of India, under Rule 1 of Furlough Regulations of 1875.

King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry—Lieutenant Taylor, 12 months, on private affairs, out of India.

Royal Horse Artillery—Lieutenant-Colonel and Colonel Broadfoot, C.B., from the 16th January to the 21st July, 1897, both days inclusive, on private affairs, out of India.

Bombay Sappers and Miners.—Lieutenant Fair, Royal Engineers, six months, on private affairs, out of India.

MR. BHOWNUGGREE, M.P.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

BHAVNAGAR, Nov. 26.

An enthusiastic public reception was given here, this afternoon, to Mr. M. M. Bhownuggree, with the Dewan Saheb as chairman. The leading merchants, Europeans, and representatives of all communities assembled in strong force in the large hall of the High School. The hall was chastely decorated with festoons of flowers, and arches made of palm-leaves. The function consisted of the presentation of an elaborate address, expressive of universal esteem and regard in which he is held by the subjects of the State. It made special reference to his work among them for a number of years. Mr. Bhownuggree, in replying, first expressed his deep sorrow at the death of his late Highness the Maharaja Takhtasingji. He spoke with heartfelt grief and dwelt upon the loss the State had suffered by the Maharaja's death. He also expressed the belief that the present Maharaja would maintain his father's fame and secure the goodwill of his subjects. He then spoke at some length, pointing out how much value he attached to the honour done him owing to the fact that most of those gathered there had personal acquaintance with himself or his work. He thanked them for this manifestation of their joy at his return to Parliament, and for the confidence they had expressed in his capability to serve the interests of India. He asserted that brief as his career in Parliament had been he had in various instances done his duty by India. These sentiments, which he backed by quoting numerous instances, were received with vociferous cheering. There was also an excellent Sanscrit poem read in his honour on the occasion. The handing of the address and poem to Mr. Bhownuggree by the Dewan Saheb Vithaldas was accompanied by a shower of flowers from the gallery. With a vote of thanks to the Dewan Saheb, who ably presided at the meeting, the proceedings terminated. Mr. Bhownuggree left the place amid deafening cheers by the assemblage and the crowds that had gathered outside. Other addresses will be given and receptions follow this week.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

The P. and O. S. N. Co.'s s. s. Peninsular, Captain W. A. Wheeler, will sail, to-day, for London and Brindisi, with the English mails and the following passengers:—

FOR LONDON.

Alexander, Mr R J
Barrow, Mr and Mrs O T, child and infant
Beauchamps, Miss
Collins, Mr W B
Drake, Capt B F
Duckworth, Mr J
Grassby, Mrs E
Henderson, Miss
Holland, Miss
Jennings, Mrs
Leigh, Major and Mrs
Leslie, Mrs Edol and Mrs G and two children
Lewis, Rev G H
Lyon, Mr P C
Osmaston, Mr and Mrs R B
Rogers, Surg-Maj and Mrs J
Sampson, Miss
Sewell, Miss
Stone, Miss E
Wharburton, Mrs W P
Wick, Mr and Mrs G
Wilson, Miss A R

FOR BRINDISI.

Healy, Capt
Henderson, Mr T
Owens, Mr

FOR PORTSAID.—Fallon, Mr and Mrs H O.
FOR MALTA.—Fenech, Mr R.
FOR ADEN.—Sprague, General.

The following passages have been engaged:—

Per s s Oriental, 5th December, 1896.

For Brindisi—Mr W Mackworth Young, Col Birch, Dr Marr, and Mr Owens.

Per s s India, 12th December, 1896.

For London—Mrs F H Demmans and infant, Miss Curtels, Major and Mrs Paul and two children, Mrs Thornhill and two sons, Mr Trewby, Mrs H S Syan, Miss Cairn, Mr D Cruickshank, Miss F Adam, Surg-Major R W and Mrs Barnes, Mrs D C Johnstone and child, Miss Johnstone, Mr and Mrs C H Maunsey, Mr and Mrs J Magee, Mr and Mrs Ellsworth, Mr and Mrs H Richardson, Mr F S Blackwell, and Mr E T Sharland.

Per s s Coromandel, 26th December, 1896.

For Brindisi—Mr. Pollock, Mr J Macpherson, and Mr F A Carson.

Per s s Oriental, 9th January, 1897.

For London—Mr R G Currie, Lieut C R Bradshaw, Mr Lillingston, and Mr C Potter.

Per s s Caledonia, 23rd January, 1897.

For London—Mrs Jeffrey and infant; Mr, and Mrs H Douglas Watson; Miss Burrows, and Mr and Mrs C Hall and infant.

Per s s Peninsular, 6th February, 1897.

For London—Lieut-Col F de C Meade, Mrs Meade, Sister Elizabeth, Mrs Tressider, Mr Tressider, Mrs Fearnside and two infants, Miss Combe, Mrs Hennan and child, and Mrs J Currie, child and infant.

For Marsellies—Mrs R Wordsworth and child, and Rev W H Pickan, 3 children, and infant.

Per s s India, 20th February, 1897.

For London—Mrs E Barnes, Mr Drakeford, Mr W S Caine, M P.

For Marseilles—Mr and Mrs H W L Lawson, Mr J C Brunton Mrs Gibbins; Rev and Mrs B Lucas; Mr Simson; Mr and Mrs Morgan; Rev W Hunt Soper; Mrs Soper, child and 2 infants; Rev W Kitchin; Mrs Kitchin, 2 children and infant; Mr and Mrs Scaramanga; Mr G Reynor; Mr and Mrs Morgan; Sug-Capt G H Frost; Mr, Mrs and Miss A Parker Smith, Miss Williamson, Rev A V Ogilvie, Mr and Mrs T C B Norman, child and 3 infants, and Mr and Mrs Tattersall.

Per s s Carthage, 27th February, 1897.

For London—Mr and Mrs C F Campbell, Mr J N Atkinson, Mrs H A Vincent, Mr H Moberley, Surg-Col H Caldecott, and Mr Gregory.

Per s s, Caledonia, 6th March, 1897.

For London—Lieut-Col and Mrs J F Miller, Mrs G W F Buckland, Mrs Priestly, 2 children and infant, General G S Montgomery, Mr and Mrs Montgomery, Mrs Tisdall and child, Mr R Brown, and Mrs Nicholls, 2 children and infant.

Per s s. Australia, 25th March, 1897.

For Marseilles—Mr and Mrs W R Partridge, infant and two children, Mrs Partridge's nurse, Miss A Trewby, Mr and Mrs Simerson, Miss Cudbure, Surg-Capt and Mrs A Roberts, Mr H K Scott, Hon Mr and Mrs Bourdillon, child and infant, Mr and Mrs R G Young, child and infant, Miss Campbell, Mrs Lambert and infant, Miss Robert Hampden, Major and Mrs H Aspinall, Mr H M Steuart, Mrs F C Anderson and child, Lieut-General Sir W and Lady Lockhart, Major and Mrs E Hogan and infant, Mr and Mrs H E Haddon and infant, Col and Mrs G F Garwood, Mr S Tremearne, Mrs Mills, Miss Cunliffe, Miss Joy, Mr J R Bertram, General and Mrs Webb, Mr and Mrs R M Thomson and infant, Mr and Mrs J S C Dey's, Miss A Mathew, Capt C Baldaeus, Miss Hobbs, Miss Cowley, Mr J Higginson, and Miss Arnold.

For Brindisi—Mr and Mrs M L H Gale.
For Marseilles—Mr and Mrs Hobart Hampden, Mr A Walker, and Mr R Bptoler.

NOTES FROM LONDON.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON.

BIMETALLISM and gold and silver st[illegible] currency appeal very little to the average woman's mind, however much their adoption or rejection might mean to her comfort; so the McKinley-Bryan fight for the Presidential office in America, which absorbed every man's attention this week, has made the papers dull reading for their womankind. The only woman who seems to have enjoyed, and profited by, the election mania is the adventuress Miss Elizabeth Banks, who startled London a couple of years ago by her revelations of domestic life below stairs drawn from her own personal experience of service in the West End. Miss Banks has turned to account what fun there is to be found in her country's election vagaries for the benefit of readers of the *Westminster*. We take our nation's political struggles with less humour. The insular phlegm which we call dignity prevents our making ourselves pleasant like our Yankee cousins at the turn of political fortune's wheel. Where is the English girl, for instance, who would stake her chances of being married on the turn of an election? Miss Banks tells of a Michigan maid and her fiance, both McKinleyites, who agreed that if McKinley were elected their marriage should take place the day following the election; whereas if Bryan were elected, they would not get married at all, either to each other or to anybody else, the reason for these severe vows being that in the event of Bryan and free silver being adopted, the young man's salary would be so decreased and insignificant, that he would never be able to save up money to support a wife. The girl's faith in the triumph of McKinley was the secret of their willingness to stake their happiness on the result of the ballot-box. She had prepared her trousseau and sent out her invitations with the proviso finely engraved as a post script at the bottom of her wedding cards "that in the event of Mr. Bryan's election the wedding will be called off."

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Another funny test of faith in the turn of the [illegible] the vow of an Indiana Silverite who election is [illegible] that for four years if McKinley agreed to wear a [illegible] another man should do the won; while if Bryan won [illegible] is the undoubted same—the straw hat industry in Indiana has winner in the case. Another man [illegible] till a promised to go to church every Sunday [illegible] Democratic President is elected in case Bryan failed to win the fight. In this instance the recording angel may congratulate himself on his success at the polls. In Ohio the tailoring interest was dragged into the struggle by the agreement of an Ohio editor to wear evening dress all day long in his office for six months if the State voted democratic; while a prominent young Nebraska lawyer consented to be hitched to a dog-cart and driven through the streets by a McKinley neighbour, if Bryan's own state should prove a traitor to his cause. Miss Banks adds that she has been told, in confidence of course, that certain smart society girls are wearing McKinley garters of red, blue, and white silk with gold buckles; while out West, the girls who support Bryan garter their stockings with red, blue, and white buckled with silver. But this enthusiasm does not exceed our own at boat race time, when it would be treachery for a girl to lace her shoes, tie up her stockings, seal her notes, or read a newspaper or a novel except in the colour of the crew that she favoured.

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At Home elections have also been going on. But they were quieter elections—of Bishops and Royal Academicians. The week has been full of changes in the episcopal world. The death of Archbishop Benson has resulted in the translation of Dr. Mandell Creighton to London. The translation or transit perhaps (as we talk of the transit of Venus) of Mrs. Creighton, who like her husband is clever and progressive, is a gain to London. People are speculating whether the Archbishop's house in St. James's Square will be restored to its dignity of a palace. At present it is a desolate place, used merely for meetings of religious and philanthropic societies. Possibly it will now be made the centre of the scientific and social movements in which also the new Archbishop and his wife are interested.

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The election of Mr. E. J. Poynter to the office of President of the Royal Academy is very generally considered the right move. Of course the young progressive spirits would have preferred a man more representative of the modern school of painting. But the president of the Royal Academy must have other qualities as well as being a good painter. Mr. Poynter has long ago proved that he can make pictures. He is a man of culture, of good taste, of social standing, and of general ability and fitness to represent the traditions of English Academic Art. It is expected that Mr. Poynter will not resign his post of Director of the National Gallery. There is a precedent in the holding of the two offices by Sir Charles Eastlake, and Mr. Poynter has set on foot several changes in the arrangements which it would be advisable to see carried out under his personal direction. Gossip says her Majesty the Queen would have preferred Mr. Val Prinsep to occupy the presidential chair of English painting, but she did not this time put forward her wishes. The forty immortals are, *entre nous*, a rather pig-headed assembly when altogether, and it is not certain that royal wishes that did not run with their own would have been shown the respect royalty would have expected from the Royal Academy.

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An architect—Mr. Wheeler Jackson—after a severe contest with Mr. W. B. Leader, the landscape artist, was elected to the vacant place among the "forty." Mr. Jackson is known as the maker of modern Oxford. He has designed all that is new in and around the University. Oxford has had the good taste to keep profane hands off her buildings. Mr. Jackson is himself an Oxford man. So is Mr. E. Burne-Jones—in fact, Oxford has given several of her sons and daughters to Art. Mr. W. B. Leader, who ran so closely in the election with Mr. Jackson, will have another chance next month of being made an R. A., as Mr. Watts has just sent in his resignation. Mr. Watts will have the privilege of giving his vote for his successor. It is one of the privileges of the retired or past members. They are also allowed to exhibit—but not more than one picture at a time, instead of the eight works that the "forty" immortals are allowed to exhibit.

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The records of the marriage market are according to statistics higher than ever this year, not only in London, but generally throughout England. There is, in fact, a boom in matrimonial shares such as has not occurred for many years in the Registrar-General's returns. This makes us very cocky and important in spite of all the melancholy forebodings of Malthus and his followers. We are not like other nations, France, for instance, which is obliged to give something tantamount to a bounty to encourage its people to marry and increase its population. The father of six olive branches in France is relieved of certain taxation, it being considered that he has done his duty sufficiently to his country to be exempt from its further claims. Our Registrar-General does not explain the why or wherefore of the abnormal rise in English marriages. He states the dry fact and leaves us to account for it.

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One thing is certain, the writers of fiction are not responsible for the rush into marriage. Romance writers use it to get the blame for most of the imprudent matches that were made some years ago. They made every lover a hero of goodness; they wove a halo of purity and innocence for every heroine; they painted the future all *couleur de rose*. This does not go on now-a-days. There is no theme that is as thoroughly written up as the failure of marriage. Sometimes we have a run of ill-used, ill-treated wives like Ibsen's Nora. Again, we have melancholy pictures of unkindly treated husbands, of young men's lives wrecked by women's selfishness. Certainly if the brides and bridegrooms of to-day are readers, they must have very little faith in the character drawing of our novelists of the period, or immense faith in each other's truth and devotion.

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The *Yellow Book* is one among the multitude of periodicals which does not give the most attractive view of married life. In the October number just published there are two stories of husbands done to death by the callousness of their wives. "The Elsingfords" is told by Robert Shrews; "A Marriage" by Ella d'Arcy. Both are well told in the calm, dry, critical style which is characteristic of many of the story-tellers in the *Yellow Book*. One story of the kind would have sufficed for ordinary readers; two perhaps are necessary for lessons to two different qualities of wife. But if the *Yellow Book* is going to start a preaching mission to women who misuse their husbands, it had better say so and let the average well-conducted woman enjoy life and economise the five shillings which it costs her to buy this blood curdling yellow quarterly.

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The editor, Henry Harland, always writes interestingly, but one cannot enjoy "The Friend of Man," about whom he talks in this number. Neither is Baron Corvo's story of "What Toto told Me" as racy as usual. Toto is amusingly irreverent and profane in his descriptions of heaven and the saints, but though he only echoes the general view, he is a little too scandalous in his gossip about the jealousy of the rival orders of Franciscans and Jesuits. "The Happy Hypocrite" is well told by Max Beerbohm, who also contributes a fancy sketch of the "Yellow Dwarf," the critic, generally supposed to be Henry Harland, of the "Yellow Book." The poetry is altogether good. Mr. H. Salt writes appreciatively of an almost unknown poet, John Barlas. The art illustrations on the whole are insignificant. The size of the pages is too small and the bulk of the volume too great to allow one to look at them with pleasure.

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One of the most interesting of the writers in this issue is Ada Radford, whose "Lot 99" is full of characteristic touches. A brother and sister talk over her prospects with that cool disregard of feeling that is only possible between brother and sister. She wants an advance of capital for educational purposes. He has had a legal training. It would not have surprised him if she had asked him whether he thought it well that she should keep a tame tiger; but he only raised his eye-brows slightly.

[illegible] one of his [illegible] ing the ex- [illegible] thirty you [illegible] ndent, because [illegible] little money of mother's [illegible] to you then."

"Thirty," I said quietly. I was nineteen. "I might as well be dead."

Lionel did not argue that point. He looked at me critically. I felt him notice my disordered hair and blue flannel blouse.

"You are pretty," he said, judicially.

I was annoyed that I blushed, but I said in a sufficiently matter-of-fact tone: "But not very."

He acquiesced, and said, "It's difficult not to be pretty, in this climate at nineteen. I don't think it will last."

"No," I broke in eagerly. "It's only complexion. Aunt Lizzie said so a few days ago.

This much will show how well Miss Radford knows brothers.

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The *Boston Herald* has a pretty story of Mr. Barrie's speech to the young ladies of Smith College at Northampton, U.S.A. Mr. Barrie is no orator. It is said, indeed, of him that he declares, whenever he has to make a speech after dinner, he feels like going under the table. He said to the young collegians that he had never been called upon to speak to nine hundred pretty girls at once, and he intimated that he would rather prefer to speak to one pretty girl nine hundred times.

MEN AND MATTERS IN THE WORLD OF SPORT.

THE hunting season may now be said to have been fairly inaugurated, and the hounds are improving every day. Last Sunday we had a most enjoyable run of about thirty minutes which was over almost the identical line of country crossed on the previous Thursday. The hounds have proved themselves to have plenty of pace and dash, and also some of good hunting strains. There are some amongst the pack that are most steadfast. On Thursday last with the meet at Santa Cruz the hunting capabilities of the pack were tested to the utmost [illegible] of the hounds stuck [illegible] and the way some scenting day was [illegible] to the line on a specially cold have had a bett[illegible]xcellent. Our M. F. H. could not view for [illegible]er day from an educational point of [illegible] his hounds than the last run. It lasted nearly an hour, and though there was a lot of pottering about, I am glad to say that the hounds were left to work it out through the coverts. Hunting in Bombay is of course almost unique as the time at the disposal of the Nimrods is so limited, and they are woefully disappointed if they don't get their gallop, but the veriest thruster if he has a spark of the divine fire in him cannot but enjoy seeing a good pack of hounds at work.

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I am sorry to say that the custom of lifting the hounds directly there is a check is becoming very prevalent at home, and this to my mind spoils hunting pure and simple. Circumstances may compel the same system here, but it is to be deprecated. In the shires pace is everything, and hounds have to be like greyhounds to get out of the way of the some two or three hundred bruisers who want to be on the top of them. This has done more to spoil legitimate sport and hunting in England than anything, and Masters have had to bow to popular opinion and cultivate pace in their hounds at the expense of nose. Hunting after all is the pursuit of an animal with an idea to its possible capture. This can only be done by allowing the hounds to follow their natural instincts and follow the varmint by scent. Now, in England, in some counties the hounds more or less hunt the huntsman and are constantly looking to him for guidance and advice: this is the result of over-education and over-zeal for a gallop and is radically wrong. The nature of the country in Salsette in many cases is such, that hounds have to be left to their own devices at times, and consequently the hounds become more reliable and self-reliant, which is as it should be. It is a thousand pities that our climate compels a fresh pack every year, as if we could keep them over a second season they would be in rare good trim, but alas King Sol forbids.

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To-day begins the Racing Season in Bombay. The W. I. T. C. having had such unparalleled success with their extra days last year are determined to give us a full quota of racing, and for this many thanks. I am however sorry to see that the entries for the first day are of such a meagre description, and can only hope that it is that everybody is backward in coming forward and that this is not an omen of a paucity of entries and poor racing this season. Considering all that the local stewards have done for the amelioration of the course and the increase of the comfort of the spectators, it will be the height of ingratitude if both owners and the general public do not respond to their invitations more cordially. They have provided for this afternoon a card of five events, and only twenty-three entries are the result up to date; this is not as it should be, especially as private owners, owing to the absence of the dealers from the meeting, have a better chance. I have always argued that racing in Bombay has been more or less in the hands of the Byculla Arab dealers, whom it pays to race; but here we have a day when they are conspicuous by their absence, and yet only eight European owners show up. This goes to prove that the European interest is waning in Bombay, and that they no longer find racing a profitable game. We can only hope that this is the first plunge or the *premier pas qui coute*, and that matters will improve as the season waxes.

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The result of the Liverpool cup, of which we have had telegraphic advices, will come as a bit of a surprise to many who did not think that the winner would be found in Mr. Lebaudy's colt. A field of fourteen started, and they went down before the four-year-old colt Count Schomberg, who though engaged on several occasions has only won previously the Ellesmere stakes at Newmarket and walked over for the cup at Goodwood. Devoue, who ran second, was placed second to Gulistan at Newmarket in the Hastings Plate and ran twice unplaced since, the last in the Cambridgeshire. Lord W. Beresford had a runner in Deakks, but evidently did not fancy the weight given to Paris III. The other horses engaged who have more or less of a reputation were: Avilion Balsamio, Birch Rod, and Royal Corrie.

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The motor car has become possible in England, and has been legislated for owing to the strenuous efforts that have been made on behalf of the machine. A motor car is no longer scheduled with a traction engine and liable to a penalty not exceeding £50 if not preceded by a man on foot with a red flag, or progressing at a rate in excess of two miles an hour. The limit of speed is now fourteen miles.

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The Australasian Turf Register, the annual record of racing "down under," has been published by the *Argus* and *Australasian* in Melbourne. It gives all the returns of racing on the Australian Continent in Tasmania and New Zealand, and in fact is chock-block full of the most useful information. Considering the number of waters we get over here yearly, and how little we know about their previous origin, or doings, this book to the man who makes a study of the Australian horse will be a valuable acquisition.

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The *Asian* has struck the right note when it advocates the formation of an Indian Athletic Association. It seems an anomaly that in Bombay amateurs may race with professionals, and even for a money stake, and not lose their standing. While, if the same man were to go to Calcutta, he would be barred by their rules from competing. The soldier element is too big a one to ignore, and must always play no mean part in any athletic fixture in India. Under these circumstances special legislation is necessary, and the rules of the A. A. A., which may answer for England, are not applicable to India. Another point for consideration is the recognition of certain, and only certain, clubs, memberships of which are a *sine qua non* in many of the races. I do not for a moment wish to throw open everything to the wide, wide world, but in an athletic meeting membership of a really first-class Athletic Club ought to give a right of competing in other than specially closed races. The rule for Athletics is too hard and fast, and the point is worthy of consideration, and it may, perhaps, on reflection be seen that it could with advantage be made more elastic.

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The Amateur Championship meeting of Canada took place, on Oct. 5, at Montreal. The New York A.C. was represented by eight athletes, who won seven firsts, three seconds, and two thirds. B.J. Wefers won the 100 yards in 10sec., the 220 yards in 24sec., and the quarter-mile in 50sec. The half-mile was won by C. H. Kilpatrick in 2min. 6⅘sec., the one mile by A. Brodie (Montreal) in 4min. 26sec., and the two miles by R. Grant (Toronto) in 10min. 37⅘secs., E. B. Bloss won the 120 yards hurdles in 17sec, and the long jump (21ft. 5⅓in.). The high jump was won by C. U. Powell (5ft. 10in.) putting the weight by G. R. Gray (42ft. 10⅓in.), throwing the hammer by J. S. Mitchell (128ft. 4⅓in.), throwing the 56lb. weight, being won by W. Nicol, (Toronto), (30ft. 7⅓in.), F. W. Coombs (New Brunswick), won the pole jump with 9ft.

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The "old Stagers" have sustained a great loss in the sudden death of Col. Naghi, as he always figured on the bills. Alas! poor Yonck, I knew him well; he was a sterling good actor, and if he had cared to take to the boards professionally would have made his mark. In a cast that I have seen which contained the two Ponsonbys, W. Yardley (Bill of the Play), the late deceased, and Walter Trollope, one had a collection of amateur actors that it would have been hard to beat poor Colnaghy. His pleasant face and smile will be greatly missed at Canterbury next year.

SENEX.

IT is stated at St. Petersburg that a caravan has arrived from Tomsk with bars of gold weighing two hundred pounds, and that a second caravan is expected on January 15th next. These consignments are independent of those from Irkutsk, whence four caravans are despatched anually.

TABLE TALK.

[BY WALTER BESANT.]

LONDON, Nov. 6.

A FRIENDLY remonstrance reaches me on the subject of "optimism." We need not consider here the personal nature of the remonstrance so much as the reasons for holding what are called "optimistic" views and their objections. We hear or did hear recently, a great deal about decay, decline, and degeneration. This kind of talk is partly the affectation of young men who must show their intellectual superiority somehow; and since Nature has unkindly withheld from them the ordinary outward and visible signs, they must invent signs of their own. To see in every effort, intellectual, artistic, scientific, nothing but decay and decline; to sigh over the poets and artists of the day, has always been the readiest way for the young man of parts. There are others of the pessimist school who are embittered by long years of failure; it must be a time of decay when so great a genius lies neglected. There are others, again, who watch the present conditions of life and the direction of the modern forces, and honestly believe that civilization is about to undergo a period at least of decay. To set against these there are still some people—a remnant—who hold and maintain the exact contrary. They see, or think they see, not only certain advance, but certain promise of further advance. They are, in fact, optimists. Let us define optimism as a hope, or faith, in the future of humanity that is founded on what seems sufficient reasons. What, for instance, is most desired? What marks, or proves, advance? Surely, the love of justice; the sense of responsibility; the resolution to maintain order; the recognition of inter-dependence; sobriety of conduct; sanity of view; health of body; length of days; security against famine; good and sound education; the decay of superstition—these are the most important of the things which are desired. It would take many chapters to prove that in every one of these things there has been advance, not rapid, not simultaneous, but a real advance; from time to time a short [illegible] of retrogression, [illegible] there was a short period of [illegible] as at present, when there is an undoubted [illegible] of many old superstitions, and Sludge in various forms is with us, but only for a time. Sludge will vanish as his victims discover his folly and his fraud.

Let us take three points only for observation: the present; the recent past; and the future. My remonstrant advises me to cure optimism by a visit to Shadwell. I know that charming suburb; I know every street in Shadwell; and I declare that the knowledge of the place as it is, compared with what it was, makes me as cheerful as Mark Tapley. Let Shadwell stand for all the slums of London. Read what they were a hundred years ago, and find out what they were fifty years ago. Plenty of room for improvement still; but to think of what that place was, once! Everywhere among these slums there are clubs and institutes; workers, men and women, winning the love of the young and the respect of the old—the old and confirmed in drunkenness and vice. Nothing, I am convinced, more justifies optimism than the consideration of a poor and ragged London parish, as it is.

The second point is the consideration of the recent improvement among the working classes. Read Mrs. Trollop's Michael Armstrong; read Disraeli's "Sybil." They have advanced in wages, hours of work, in standard of life and comfort, in housing, in clothing, in food. Can anyone deny these propositions? Can anyone deny that it is not good for the country that such improvements have been achieved? Does anyone suppose that the people will willingly forego these things and return to the old levels? To drop back again would be as dreadful a thing to the modern working man as would be the loss of her gentility to a modern lady of the middle class. When I read of things atrocious or shameful, I look back and observe with satisfaction that they were worse fifty years ago.

There is another ground still for what divines used to call a "large and comfortable" hope. It is the record of history. Incomplete as yet, it clearly relates the steady advance of humanity. There have been long periods of apparent stagnation, such as the weary time from the fifth to the fifteenth century. But yet there was advance; new thoughts were slowly growing up in the minds of men; vision was widening; there was always advance; civilizations have been destroyed and forgotten, yet there has been advance. In this our generation we have recovered something of the lost ages. Assyria and Egypt have yielded up their history. Not only the library, but the laboratory advances us by its conquests. The forces that the physicist presses into the service of man will remain his servants; they will not perish; they will remain whatever happens. The foot of man, as he wrests from nature one secret after another, stands upon the solid rock. Long ago man discovered fire—did he ever forget that discovery? He discovered the means of sailing on the sea—did he ever forget that discovery? It may be that a new era of war is about to set in—a time, like that of old, when man sh

have it made and kept in stock. Authority has been given to apply the provisions of Chapter IX of the Famine Code regarding the treatment of non-working children to the extent found necessary in the Bijapur district, where it is reported that the number of such children on one relief work has exceeded 10 per cent. of the total number of labourers.

Discretionary allowances have been granted to several Collectors to meet urgently necessary expenditure on small works and gratuitous or semi-gratuitous relief. The attention of the Collectors has been called to the provision of Section 90 of the Famine Code regarding the entry on the village dole register of such of the inferior village servants as it is necessary to retain in the villages for the performance of their duties, and it has been ordered that of the others those whose services are likely to be required in future should be employed on small works in the vicinity of their villages, while those who are not needed or likely to be needed for the performance of duties in their villages must be employed on the large works. The numbers gratuitously relieved during the last week were 2,845 in Sholapur, 94 in Poona and 23 in Satara. These figures do not include the numbers of non-working children whose parents are employed on relief works. These were in Poona 2,674, in Sholapur 1,598, in Bijapur 2,282 and in Nasik 625.

An allotment of Rs. 20,000 has been placed at the disposal of the Collector of Bijapur under Section 152 of the Famine Code for improvement of the water-supply; but has recent rain will presumably lessen the need for such expenditure, the Collector has been instructed not to spend more than is reasonably necessary. The Collector of Kolaba has been authorized to utilize the unspent balance of the current year's Government grant to that district for village water-supply for the erection of temporary dams at convenient places in order to store up what water remains in the rivers and nalas. A sum of Rs. 5,000 has also been placed at the disposal of the Collector of Ahmednagar for deepening wells and increasing the water-supply.

The amounts hitherto allotted to the affected districts for tagai advances for agricultural improvements over and above the ordinary assignments are mentioned below:—Bijapur, Rs. 4,00,000, Belgaum Rs. 2,00,000, Dharwar, Rs. 1,00,000, Ahmednagar Rs. 75,000, Satara Rs. 70,000, Sholapur Rs. 64,050, Khandesh Rs. 40,000, total Rs. 9,49,050. It has been ordered that care should be taken that the amounts thus made available are distributed in those places only where scarcity is apprehended and to persons who are likely to turn the money to good account. Where the applications for such advances are numerous, special officers have been appointed to make the necessary inquiries so that the disposal of the applications may not be delayed.

Relief Mamlatdars have been appointed in the districts of Bijapur, Sholapur and Ahmednagar. Personal Assistants have been given to the Collectors of those districts, and the superior and subordinate revenue staff has been otherwise strengthened. The other affected districts will also be provided with additional establishments as necessity arises. It is under consideration to invest the Subordinate Judges in affected districts with magisterial powers to relieve the strain on the revenue staff. The Public Works Department staff in the Famine districts has also been strengthened.

The further detailed instructions issued and measures taken in regard to the supply of grazing and fodder for the cattle of the affected tracts [illegible] already published.

THE THREATENED FAMINE.

THE RAINFALL AND LOCAL PRICES.

An *Englishman* reporter yesterday visited Hatkhola, the great grain market of the Indian Metropolis, for the purpose of ascertaining the effect upon the market here, of the reassuring telegrams of the last two days with the very welcome intelligence that the long-looked-for rain had at last come down in various parts of India, including many famine-infested areas, where up to two or three days ago crop prospects were anything but cheerful. He went round the Bazar and saw, among others, the heads of two of the largest firms of native grain merchants, Messrs. Gonesh Ramdas and Messrs. Johar Mull Beejraj. The accurate and full information possessed by them in regard to the precise amount of rainfall in inches, the prevailing prices at each place, stocks in hand, crop prospect, etc., was simply marvellous. The news contained in the telegrams published in yesterday's papers had also been wired to them early the day before, and had influenced the market the whole day. Comparing Sunday's prices with Monday as quoted by Messrs. Gonesh Ramdas and confirmed by Johur Mull Beejraj, it would seem that there had been a considerable fall. For instance, wheat was selling from four to six annas less per maund, Cuttack rice, red quality, had declined from Rs. 4 to Rs. 3-10, Nuhatty rice was selling at Rs. 4, and other kinds had also gone down two annas per maund. Patna grain had fallen from Rs. 4-2 to Rs. 3-15, and the smaller grain from Rs. 3-10 to Rs. 3-8. Oats were two annas easier at Rs. 4-5, and barley had dropped from Rs. 4 to Rs. 3-10. There was an improvement of two annas in mussur dhall and peas which were quoted, small mussur at Rs. 2-10, largar at 3-6, and white peas at Rs. 4.

The general opinion seemed to be that, although the crop prospects have been somewhat improved by the rain which has already fallen, no material benefit can be expected unless there is a good deal more of it. If we have more rain properly distributed, prices will probably fall about four or at the outside six annas lower, but beyond this it will not go under any circumstances until the *fasl* is in. At the same time all the native merchants here seem to be agreed that the stocks held by the ryots, merchants and others all over the country are quite large enough to make famine an impossibility, and that these people are holding back until they see what the chances of the next crops are. If more showers are reported they will begin selling.

Messrs. Johur Mull Beejarj's representative took a rather pessimistic view of things. He thought that what little rain had fallen was wholly insufficient, and would do very little if any good except where fields had already been sown, and that these "ten drops" would only lower prices for a few days after which they would, unless there were copious showers all over the country in the mean-while, go up "like fire" again.

MAKING ENQUIRIES.

A circular has been issued by the British Indian Association of Calcutta to leading zemindars in Bengal requesting replies as to the state and prospects of the principal crops, need for relief and kindred questions. When information has been received the Committee will decide whether Government shall be approached.

THE BO. P. R. A. CENTRAL MEETING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, Nov. 26.

TO-DAY being the eighth day of the meeting it is coming to a close for conclusion. On Saturday next, the Bo. P. R. A. have offered two prizes (value Rs. 60 and 30), to be shot for by ladies at the Revolver Range, distance 50 yards, and in the afternoon, Mrs. Duncan, wife of Lieutenant-General Duncan, Commanding the Forces, will give away the prizes to the successful competitors.

MATCH 17.—"The Napier Memorial Challenge Shield."—Open to teams of eight Non-Commissioned officers and men from any Regiment or Corps in the Bombay Command, or any ship of the Royal Navy. The shield will be competed for annually, and will never become the property of any Corps. Distances—200, 500, and 600 yards. 300 yards standing, 500 and 600 yards any Military.

	200 yds.	500 yds.	600 yds.	Tl.	Rs.
1st—2nd B B and C I R Vols., and won the challenge shield.	212	246	309	667	150
2nd—1st B B and C I R Vols...	225	227	216	668	50
Royal I...	209	229	213	651	...
Durh...	212	228	220	660	...

...Non-Commissioned Officers' ...of four Non-Commissioned ...egiment or Corps in India, ...officers from any ship of ...—300 and 700 yards. 300 ...700 yards any Military.

	300 yds.	700 yds.	Tl.	Rs.
...	105	126	231	125
...	110	116	226	50

	Pts.	Rs.
...	223	
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...	222	
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...	213	
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	Pts.	Pts.	Pts.	Tl.	Rs.
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	Pts.	Pts.	Pts.	Tl.	Rs.
Infantry ...	231	240	199	670	100
Gillespie Memorial Challenge Cup.					
...bay Infantry ...	213	245	193	649	50
...nfantry ...	209	230	198	637	25
...ombay Pioneers ...	233	236	168	637	

LOCAL MEETING.

...e Match 13 was completed yesterday. The ...llowing are the results:—

MATCH 13.—"The Poona Stakes." Unlimited Entries. Distance—500 yards.

	Pts.	Rs.
Hay Shaik Imam, 9th Bo I. ...	35	25
Pte Appa Ganda, 8th Bo I ...	34	20
Pte Khubi Ram, 7th Bo I ...	33	15

Nov. 27.

Several unlimited entries and revolver matches were closed.

MATCH 20.—"Gillespie Memorial Cup." Won by Royal Irish Rifles, with 658 points, winning Rs. 150, and the Cup; 2nd B. B. and C. I. Ry. Volunteers, 649 points, Rs. 50.

MATCH 42.—"Napier Memorial Challenge Shield." Distances—200, 300, and 700 yards. Won by the 9th Bombay Infantry, with 648 points, winning Rs. 100, and a Cup; the 19th Infantry made 639 points, and won Rs. 50.

MATCH 30.—"Magazine and Rapid Firing Competition."—Distance 200 and 500 yards.—Competitors to fire seven rounds in one minute. Sergeant French, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, made 53 points, and won Rs. 50, and the Bengal Presidency Rifle Association's Silver Medal; Lance-Corporal Jackson, of the Royal Irish, 52 points Rs. 40; Sergeant Litchfield, of the Northampton, 52 points Rs. 30; Private Blacq, Middlesex, 50 points, Rs. 25; and Color-Sergeant White, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, 49 points, Rs. 20.

MATCH 40.—"Poona Revolver Club Cup."—Rs. 200, presented by the Poona District Revolver Club. Won by the 19th Bombay Infantry, with 355 points, winning the Cup; the 28th Pioneers made 322 points, and the Bombay Sappers and Miners, 318 points.

MATCH 34.—"Unlimited Entries." Distance—600 yards. Captain Wilson, B. B. and C. I. Ry. Vols., made 34 points, and won Rs. 50; Lance-Sergeant Porter, ditto, 33 points, Rs. 40; Sergeant Loakman, Royal Irish, 33 points, Rs. 30; Color-Sergeant Lucas, Durham, 33 points, Rs. 25; Lieutenant Green, South Lancashire, 33 points, Rs. 20; and Lance-Sergeant Taylor, B. B. and C. I. Volunteers, 33 points, Rs. 20.

MATCH 60.—"Unlimited entries"—Distance—600 yards. Private Dalpat Madrekar, 9th Bombay Infantry, made 34 points, and won Rs. 30.

MR. G. K. MHATRE'S STATUE, "TO THE TEMPLE."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—It must be a very great pleasure to Mr. Mhatre and his friends to find that his work has received such enthusiastic approval from Sir G. Birdwood. I share this pleasure with them, but I wish Sir George had been as accurate in his statements as he is generous and sympathetic in his praises. There are two mistakes in matters of fact which it is desirable to correct. The first is of very little importance, but it is as well to say that this figure is not what is usually known as a "statuette"; nor has Mr. Mhatre "wrought it directly from the marble block." The figure, which is a statue of a young woman, is nearly five feet high; and it is in plaster, not marble, Mr. Mhatre at the time he modelled it having never handled a chisel. The other mistake is very important, for Sir Geo. Birdwood's statement involves the whole question of the relation of Europe to India in matters of art, as well as the minor one of the value of schools of art in this country. Sir G. Birdwood says,—referring directly, and in detail, to the artistic and technical qualities of Mhatre's work, and not to any matter of sentiment or subject:—"If the photograph (of the statue) is examined with a powerful hand lens, an overwelming impression is made on you of the marvellous refinement of the modulation of its flesh surfaces, and of the precision and exquisite delicacy of the sculptor's touch, both on the flesh and on the drapery surfaces; and in this, merely technical skill, as well as in its grace and dignity, and harmoniously balanced composition and pose, the figure is Greek of the Greeks.

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The Indo-China Steam Navigation Co's steamer Taisang fouled her anchor on the evening of the 4th while lying below Macao Forts on the Canton river. The damage was temporarily repaired and the steamed down to Hongkong and was taken in hand by the Dock Company. The damage is very slight.

The agent of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha informs us that he received a telegram on the 6th November to the effect that the Himaji Maru was badly on shore at the eastern end of the Paracels. A Dock's salvage party left Hongkong on the 8th November, but later news says that she got off much sooner than was expected.

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MEETING OF THE FRENCH CHAMBERS.

THE RELATIONS OF FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

THE French Chambers were reopened, on Oct. 27, with what the *Times'* paris correspondent describes as an impressive epilogue to the visit of the Tsar. In both Chambers were solemnly recited the farewell telegram of the Sezar and his response at Chellons to the President of the Republic, to which M. Brisson in one Chamber and M. Loubet in the other added eloquent speeches setting forth the significance of these expressions of Imperial good will. M. Brission said the Chamber would undoubtedly desire to return the greeting of the august visitor. He referred to the visit of the Tsar Tsaritsa to Paris as having knit yet more closely the friendship of the two nations, and spoke of the demonstrations attending the visit as affording ground for confidence and hope. M. Brisson's speech was loudly applauded. M. Meline, on the part of the Government, thanked the President of the Chamber for his patriotic utterance. The speeches of M.M. Brisson and Loubet were enthusiastically applauded by assemblies fully prepared for them and aware of the ceremonial character of the proceedings in which they were engaged.

A COOLING DOUCHE BY M. POBIEDONOSTZEFF.

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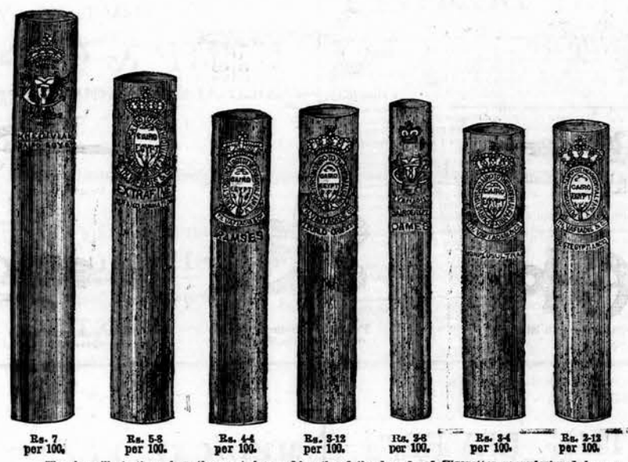

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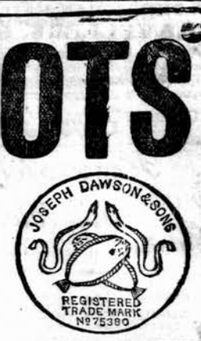

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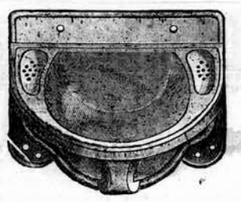

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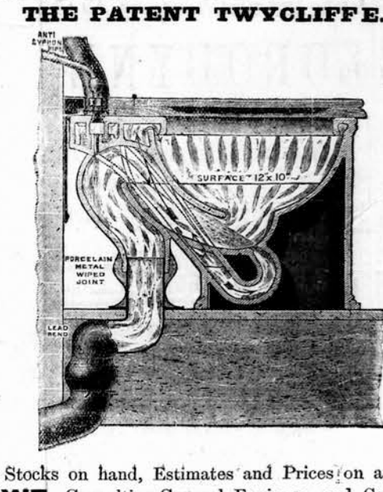

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